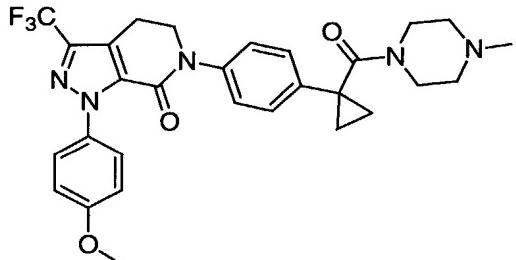


**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-(4-[1-[(4-methyl-1-piperazinyl)carbonyl]cyclopropyl]phenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



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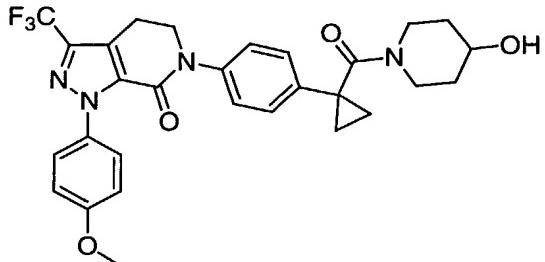
Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 10, but using 4-methylpiperazine, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run).

10 LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 554.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.49 min. HRMS C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>31</sub>O<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>5</sub> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 554.2384 calcd for 554.2379. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.50 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (AA'BB', J = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.97 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 4.17 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.16 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.85 (s, 3H), 1.39 (m, 2H), 1.20 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 13**

**6-{4-[1-(4-hydroxypiperidine-1-carbonyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**



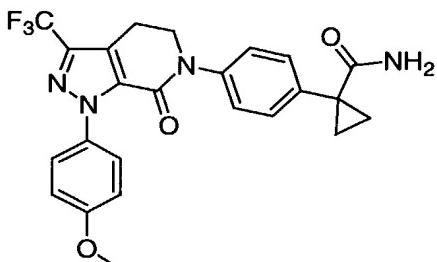
Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 10, but using morpholine, the title 25 compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep

LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS(ESI<sup>+</sup>) 555.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 5.50 min. HRMS C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>4</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 555.2241 calcd for 555.2219.

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**Example 14**

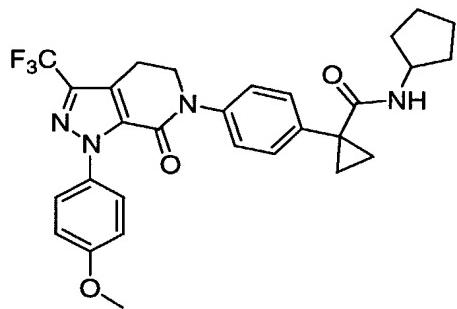
**1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclopropanecarboxamide**



10 Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 10, but using concentrated NH<sub>4</sub>OH as the amine source and THF as solvent, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS(ESI<sup>+</sup>) 471.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.56 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.50 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.18 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.17 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.40 (m, 2H), 0.96 (m, 2H) ppm. <sup>19</sup>F NMR 20 (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ -77.14 ppm.

**Example 15**

**1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclopropanecarboxylic acid cyclopentylamide**

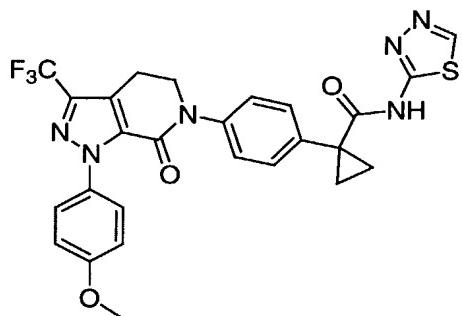


Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 10, but using cyclopentylamine, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by 5 RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run).

LC/MS(ESI<sup>+</sup>) 539.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 6.65 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.51 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (m, 4H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.16 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 4.05 (m, 1H), 3.16 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 1.79 (m, 2H), 1.45 (m, 10 4H), 1.22 (m, 2H), 1.39 (m, 2H), 0.92 (m, 2H) ppm.

#### Example 16

**1-(4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl)-15 N-(1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)cyclopropanecarboxamide**



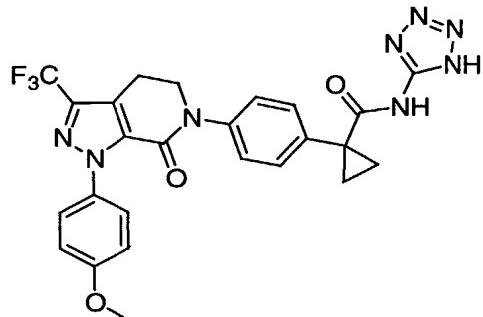
Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 10, but using 2-aminothiadiazole, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified 20 by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run).

LC/MS(ESI<sup>+</sup>) 555.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 6.17 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 8.96 (s, 1H), 7.54 (m, 4H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 4.22 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.84

(s, 3H), 3.16 (t,  $J$  = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 1.67 (m, 2H), 1.31 (m, 2H) ppm.

### Example 17

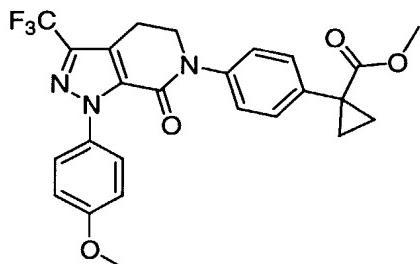
5       **1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-  
1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}-  
N-(1H-tetraazol-5-yl)cyclopropanecarboxamide**



Following a procedure analogous to that used for the  
10 preparation of Example 10, but using 5-amino-1*H*-tetrazole,  
the title compound was prepared. The product was purified  
by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run).  
LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 539.6 (M+H),  $t_R$  = 5.86 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  
 $\delta$  7.53 (m, 4H), 7.39 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d,  $J$  = 9.1  
15 Hz, 2H), 4.20 (t,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.18 (t,  $J$   
= 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.68 (m, 2H), 1.29 (m, 2H) ppm.

### Example 18

methanol 1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-  
20       **1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-  
y1]phenyl}cyclopropanecarboxylate**



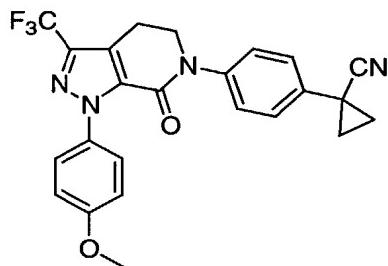
The product from part D in Example 1 (mg, mmol) was stirred  
in anhydrous MeOH (5 mL) at RT. Catalytic amount of conc.

5 HCl was added. The resulting solution was stirred at RT overnight. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS(ESI<sup>+</sup>) 486.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.98 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.50 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (AA'BB', J = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 6.97 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 4.18 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.55 (s, 3H), 3.17 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.49 (m, 2H), 1.16 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 19**

**1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclopropanecarbonitrile**

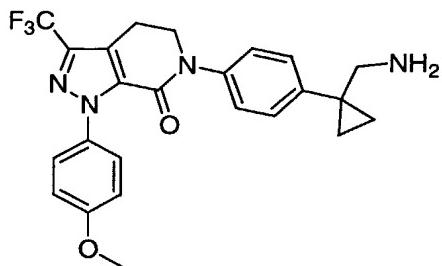


15 The product from Example 14 (22 mg, 0.047 mmol) was stirred in DMF (0.3 mL) at RT in a capped vial. SOCl<sub>2</sub> (0.05 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at RT for 1.5 h. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. Prep LC-MS purification (35-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O) provided the title compound (15 mg, 20 yield, 71%). LC/MS(ESI<sup>+</sup>) 453.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 5.24 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.50 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (m, 4H), 6.97 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.18 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.17 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.71 (m, 2H), 1.48 (m, 2H) ppm. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ -77.16 ppm.

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**Example 20**

**6-{4-[1-(aminomethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



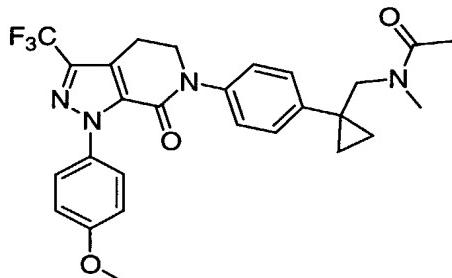
Part A. The product from part E in Example 1 (24 mg, 0.052 mmol) was stirred in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL) at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. Et<sub>3</sub>N (11 μL, 1.5 eq) was added followed by the dropwise addition 5 of MsCl (4.5 μL, 1.1 eq). The mixture was stirred at 0°C for 1 h. TLC showed completion of the reaction. Sat'd NH<sub>4</sub>Cl was added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The residue 10 was dissolved in DMF (1 mL). NaN<sub>3</sub> (50 mg, mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred at RT under N<sub>2</sub> overnight. LC-MS showed the azide as the major component in the mixture. Sat'd NH<sub>4</sub>Cl was then added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc. And the organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and 15 brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to give crude 6-{4-[1-azidomethylcyclopropyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one. LC/MS(ESI<sup>+</sup>) 483.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 3.06 min 20 (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

Part B. The product from part A (18 mg) and PPh<sub>3</sub> (38 mg) were stirred in THF (1.5 mL) at RT for 20 min. H<sub>2</sub>O (0.3 mL) was added, and the mixture was stirred at 30°C for 2 h. 25 The solvents were evaporated. The residue was purified by prep LC-MS (5-98%CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O) to give pure 6-{4-[1-(aminomethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-

c]pyridin-7-one (7 mg, yield: 29%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 457.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>.

### Example 21

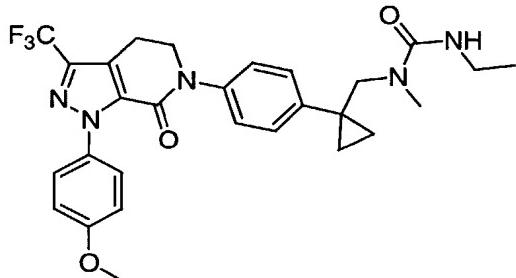
5     *N-[(1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl)cyclopropyl}methyl]-N-methylacetamide*



The product of Example 1 (40 mg, 0.084 mmol) was stirred in  
 10 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL) in a capped vial at RT. Et<sub>3</sub>N (4 drops) was  
 added followed by addition of acetyl chloride (2 drops).  
 The resulting mixture was stirred at RT for 10 min. LC-MS  
 showed completion of the reaction. After evaporation of  
 the solvents, the residue was dissolved in MeOH (1 mL) and  
 15 purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run) to  
 afford pure *N-[(1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl)cyclopropyl}methyl]-N-methylacetamide*  
 (35 mg, yield: 80.3%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 513.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 6.08  
 20 min. HRMS C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 513.2120 calcd for 513.2113.  
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.49 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (m,  
 4H), 6.97 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.15 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H),  
 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.58 (s, 1H), 3.49 (s, 1H), 3.16 (t, J = 6.6  
 Hz, 2H), 2.91, 2.80 (2 x s, 3H), 1.89, 1.50 (2 x s, 3H),  
 25 0.87 (m, 2H), 0.78 (m, 2H) ppm.

**Example 22**

***N'*-ethyl-*N*-[(1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclopropyl)methyl]-*N*-methylurea**

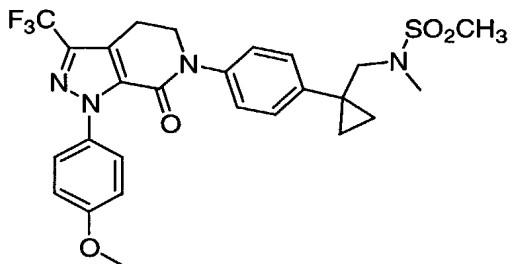


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The product of Example 1 (20 mg, 0.042 mmol) was stirred in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL) in a capped vial at RT. Et<sub>3</sub>N (4 drops) was added followed by addition of ethyl isocyanide (2 drops). The resulting mixture was stirred at RT for 2 h. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. After evaporation of the solvents, the residue was dissolved in MeOH (1 mL), and purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run) to afford pure *N'*-ethyl-*N*-[(1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclopropyl)methyl]-*N*-methylurea (16 mg, yield: 70%). HRMS C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>31</sub>O<sub>3</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>5</sub> 542.2370 (M+H), calcd for 542.2380. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.49 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (AA'BB', *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.14 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.51 (s, 2H), 3.16 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 3.02 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.70 (s, 3H), 0.92 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.86 (m, 2H), 0.76 (m, 2H) ppm.

**Example 23**

25 ***N*-[(1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclopropyl)methyl]-*N*-methylmethanesulfonamide**

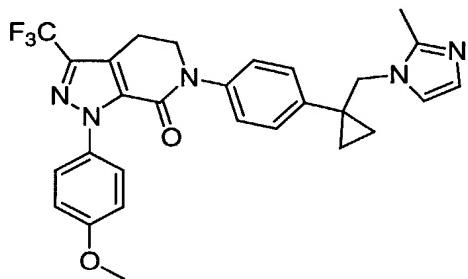


The product of Example 1 (20 mg, 0.042 mmol) was stirred in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL) in a capped vial at RT. Pyridine (4 drops) was added followed by two drops of methanesulfonyl chloride. The resulting mixture was stirred for 20 min. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. After evaporation of the solvents, the residue was dissolved in MeOH (1 mL), and purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run) to afford pure *N*-[(1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl)cyclopropyl)methyl]-*N*-methylmethanesulfonamide (16 mg, yield: 69%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 549.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 6.40 min.

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**Example 24**

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(2-methylimidazol-1-ylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**



20 Part A. The product of part E in Example 1 (0.45 g, 0.98 mmol) was stirred in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. PPh<sub>3</sub> (0.52 g, 2.0 eq) was added, followed by the addition of CBr<sub>4</sub> (0.33 g, 1.0 eq). The resulting mixture was stirred at 0°C for 30 min. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The

organic layer was washed with  $H_2O$  and brine, dried over  $MgSO_4$ , filtered, and concentrated to dryness. It was used directly in the next step without purification.  
 LC/MS(ESI $^+$ ) 520.4, 522.4 ( $M+H$ ) $^+$ .

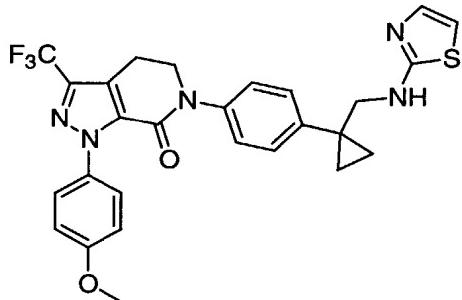
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Part B. The product of Part A (0.20 g, 0.38 mmol), 2-methylimidazole (0.10 g, 1.22 mmol), and  $K_2CO_3$  (0.25 g, 3.62 mmol) were stirred in DMF (0.4 mL) at RT under  $N_2$ . The mixture was heated at 85-90°C for 30 min. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. After cooling to RT,  $H_2O$  was added. The mixture was purified by prep LC-MS (35-98%  $CH_3CN$  in  $H_2O$ ) to give pure 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(2-methylimidazol-1-ylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (53 mg, yield: 27%). LC/MS(ESI $^+$ ) 522.4 ( $M+H$ ) $^+$ .  $^1H$  NMR (acetone- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  7.53 (m, 1H), 7.49 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.25 (AA'BB',  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.98 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.38 (s, 2H), 4.15 (t,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.14 (t,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 1.26 (t,  $J$  = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 1.02 (t,  $J$  = 5.5 Hz, 2H) ppm.

### Example 25

1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(thiazol-2-ylaminomethyl)-cyclopropyl]phenyl}-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one

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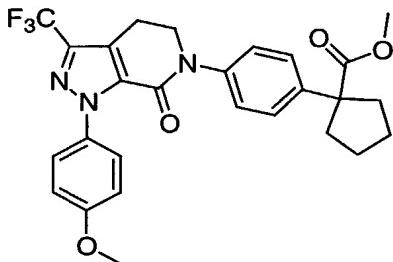


Following a procedure analogous to that of Example 24, the title compound was prepared by using 2-aminothiazole. The

product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (35-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 540.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 3.37 min.

### Example 26

5   **methyl 1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclopentanecarboxylate**



Part A. 1-Phenyl-cyclopentylcarboxylic acid (3.0 g, 15.8 mmol) was stirred in HOAc (10 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. I<sub>2</sub> (4.01 g, 15.8 mmol) was added followed by the addition of NaIO<sub>3</sub> (0.78 g, 3.94 mmol) and conc. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (0.3 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred at 70°C for 3 days. The cooled mixture was poured into H<sub>2</sub>O, and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was washed with sodium thiosulfate and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to yield 4-iodophenylcyclopentylcarboxylic acid (4.45 g, yield: 89%). LC/MS(ESI<sup>+</sup>) 317.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>.

Part B. The product from part A (1.08 g, 3.43 mmol) and 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (0.82 g, 2.64 mmol) were stirred in DMSO (3 mL) under N<sub>2</sub>. K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.09 g, 7.90 mmol, 3.0 eq) was added followed by the addition of 1,10-phenanthroline (96 mg, 20 mol%) and CuI (100 mg, 20mol%). The resulting mixture was stirred at 130°C for 5h. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. It was acidified with 1N HCl, and extracted with EtOAc (2x). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to afford 1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-

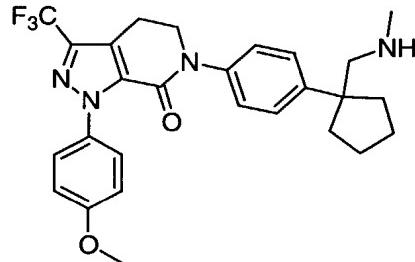
(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-ylphenyl)cyclopentanecarboxylic acid (1.30 g, yield: 99%). LC/MS(ESI<sup>+</sup>) 500.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>.

5 Part C. The product of part B (40 mg, 0.080 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (5 mL), and conc. HCl (0.5 mL) was added. The resulting mixture was stirred at 60°C overnight. After cooling, the mixture was purified by prep LC-MS (35-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run) to afford methyl  
10 1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-ylphenyl)cyclopentane carboxylate (32 mg, yield: 78%). LC/MS(ESI<sup>+</sup>) 514.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 6.09 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.45 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (AA'BB', J = 8.6 Hz, 4H),  
15 6.92 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.13 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.39 (s, 3H), 3.15 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.65-2.58 (m, 2H), 1.89-1.82 (m, 2H), 1.73-1.69 (m, 4H), 1.58 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 27**

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-(4-{1-[(methylamino)methyl]cyclopentyl}phenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



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Part A. The product from part B of Example 26 (1.46 g, 2.93 mmol) was stirred in THF (10 mL) at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.62 mL, 4.40 mmol, 1.5 eq) was added followed by dropwise addition of ClCO<sub>2</sub>Et (0.31 mL, 3.24 mmol, 1.1 eq). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 0°C for 1 h. TLC

showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was filtered, and rinsed with anhydrous THF. The THF filtrate (ca. 20 mL) was stirred at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. MeOH (5 mL) was added followed by the addition of NaBH<sub>4</sub> (1.03 g, 27.10 mmol, 9.3 eq). The resulting mixture was stirred at 0°C for 40 min. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. Sat'd Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was then added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (2x). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2x) and brine (2x), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to give 6-{4-[1-(hydroxymethyl)cyclopentyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (1.38 g, 97%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 486.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>.

Part B. The product from part A (0.80 g, 1.65 mmol) was stirred in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. NaOAc (0.5 g, 6.10 mmol) and molecular sieves (4Å, 1.2 g) were added followed by the addition of PCC (0.89 g, 4.12 mmol). The resulting slurry was stirred at RT for 4 h. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was filtered, and rinsed with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The filtrate was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2x) and brine (2x), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to afford 1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclopentanecarbaldehyde (0.78 g, yield: 99%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 484.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>.

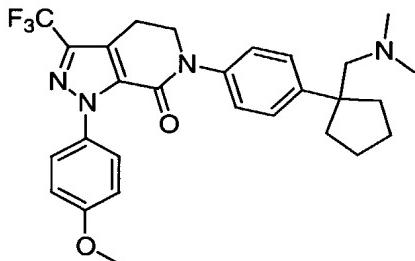
Part C. The product from part B (100 mg, 0.21 mmol) and methylamine hydrochloride (100 mg, excess) were stirred in dichloroethane (1.0 mL) in a capped vial. NaBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub> (200 mg, 0.94 mmol) was added followed by addition of three drops of HOAc. The reaction mixture was stirred at RT for 2h. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was evaporated and dissolved in aqueous MeOH.

It was then purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run) to obtain 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-(4-{1-[methylamino)methyl]cyclopentyl}phenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (35 mg, yield: 34%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 499.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.85 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.50 (m, 4H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 4.17 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.39 (s, 2H), 3.16 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.64 (s, 3H), 2.14-1.66 (m, 8H) ppm.

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**Example 28**

**6-(4-{1-[(dimethylamino)methyl]cyclopentyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



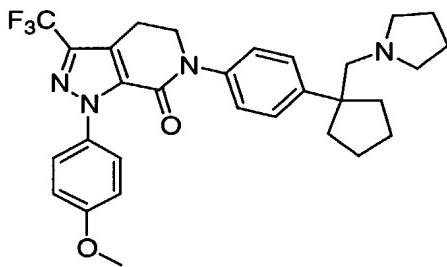
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Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 27, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 513.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.96 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.52 (m, 4H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.60 (s, 2H), 3.17 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.62 (s, 6H), 2.16-1.64 (m, 8H) ppm.

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**Example 29**

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)cyclopentyl]phenyl}-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**

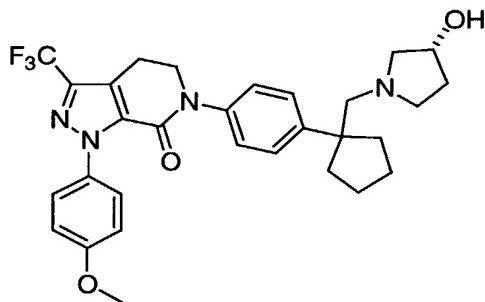


Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 27, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run).

LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 539.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 5.13 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.52 (m, 4H), 7.40 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 2H), 3.52 (m, 2H), 3.17 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.92 (m, 2H), 2.18 (m, 2H), 2.04-1.62 (m, 10H) ppm. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ -62.17 (TFA salt), -79.82 (CF<sub>3</sub>) ppm.

### Example 30

**6-[4-((1R)-3-hydroxy-1-pyrrolidinyl)methyl]cyclopentylphenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 27, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run).

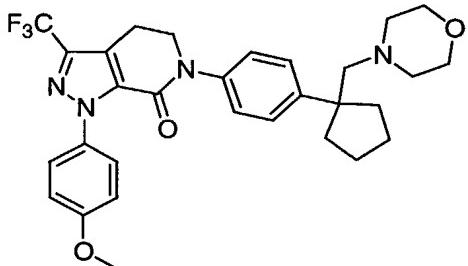
LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 555.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.77 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.52 (m, 4H), 7.40 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.36 (s, br, 1H), 4.19 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.72 (m, 2H), 3.59 (m, 2H), 3.17 (t, J = 6.3

Hz, 2H), 2.92 (m, 2H), 2.16-1.63 (m, 10H) ppm.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (acetone- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  -62.16 (TFA salt), -76.70 ( $\text{CF}_3$ ) ppm.

### Example 31

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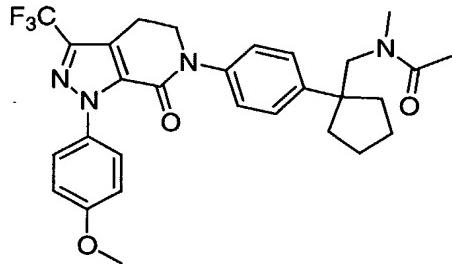
**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(4-morpholinylmethyl)cyclopentyl]phenyl}-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



10 Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 27, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98%  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI $^+$ ) 555.6 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ) $^+$ ,  $t_R = 4.49$  min.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (acetone- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  7.43 (m, 4H), 7.28 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 4.09 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.65 (m, 4H), 3.50 (s, 2H), 3.33 (m, 2H), 3.07 (t,  $J = 6.3$  Hz, 2H), 2.89 (m, 2H), 2.02-1.52 (m, 8H) ppm.

### Example 32

20 ***N*-[(1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl)cyclopentyl)methyl]-N-methylacetamide**

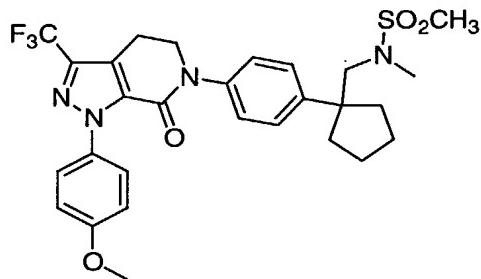


25 Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 21, the title compound was prepared. The product was

purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 541.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 6.50 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.49 (dd, J = 8.8, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (m, 4H), 6.97 (dd, J = 8.8, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 4.17 (t, J = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.82 (s, 5 3H), 3.52 (s, 2H), 3.17 (t, J = 6 Hz, 2H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.03-1.59 (m, 11H) ppm.

### Example 33

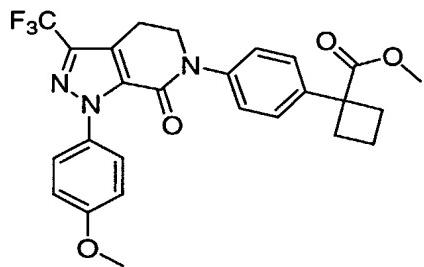
10 **N-[(1-{(4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-  
1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-  
y1]phenyl)cyclopentyl)methyl]-N-methylmethanesulfonamide**



Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 23, the title compound was prepared. The product was 15 purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 577.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 6.74 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.50 (d, J = 9 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (m, 4H), 6.98 (d, J = 9 Hz, 2H), 4.18 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.22 (s, 2H), 3.17 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.70 (s, 3H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 20 2.13 (m, 2H), 1.80 (m, 4H), 1.64 (m, 2H) ppm.

### Example 34

25 **methyl 1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-  
1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-  
y1]phenyl}cyclobutanecarboxylate**



Part A. 1-Phenyl-1-cyclobutylcarbonitrile (5.0 g, 31.83 mmol) and KOH (85%, 6.29 g, 95.49 mmol, 3 eq) were heated in ethylene glycol (10 mL) at 185-190°C for 6h under N<sub>2</sub>.

5 LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. H<sub>2</sub>O was added to the cooled mixture. It was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3x). The aqueous layer was acidified with conc. HCl, and then extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub> (2x). The chloroform layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to give 1-phenyl-1-cyclobutyl carboxylic acid (4.43 g, yield: 79.2%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 177.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.56 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 6-min run).

10 Part B. The product from part A (4.43 g, 25.2 mmol) was stirred in HOAc (20 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. I<sub>2</sub> (6.40 g, 25.2 mmol) was added, followed by the addition of NaIO<sub>3</sub> (1.25 g, 6.3 mmol) and conc. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (0.5 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred at 70°C for 2 days. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The cooled mixture was poured into H<sub>2</sub>O, and 15 extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was washed with sodium thiosulfate, brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to give 4-iodophenylcyclobutyl carboxylic acid (6.49 g, 85%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 303.2 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.55 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

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Part C. The product from part B (1.20 g, 3.97 mmol) and 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (0.87 g, 2.8 mmol) were stirred in DMSO (3 mL) under N<sub>2</sub>. K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.16 g, mmol, 3.0

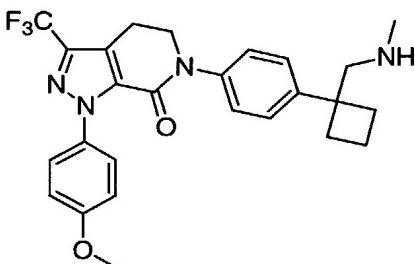
eq) was added followed by the addition of 1,10-phenanthroline (100 mg, 20 mol%) and CuI (106 mg, 20 mol%). The resulting mixture was stirred at 130°C overnight. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. EtOAc was added to 5 the cooled solution. The solution was acidified with 1N HCl, and the organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to afford 1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclobutane carboxylic acid (1.34 g, yield 97%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 486.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.81 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

Part D. The product from part C (50 mg, 0.103 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (5 mL), and conc. HCl (0.5 mL) was added. The resulting mixture was stirred at reflux for 2 h. After cooling, the mixture was purified by prep LC-MS (35-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O) to afford the title compound (35 mg, yield: 15 68%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 499.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 5.70 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.45 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (AA'BB', J = 8Hz, 4H), 6.91 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.13 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.15 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.81 (m, 2H), 2.48 (m, 2H), 2.03 (m, 1H), 1.86 (m, 1H) ppm.

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**Example 35**

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-(4-(1-[(methylamino)methyl]cyclobutyl)phenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



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Part A. The product from part C of Example 34 (1.32 g, 2.72 mmol) was stirred in THF (10 mL) at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.59 mL, 4.08 mmol, 1.5 eq) was added followed by dropwise addition of ClCO<sub>2</sub>Et (0.38 mL, 3.54 mmol, 1.3 eq). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 0°C for 30 min. TLC showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was filtered and rinsed with anhydrous THF. The THF filtrate (ca. 20 mL) was stirred at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. MeOH (4 mL) was added followed by the addition of NaBH<sub>4</sub> (1.03 g, 27.10 mmol, 10 eq). The resulting mixture was stirred at 0°C for 40 min. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. Sat'd Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was then added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (2x). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O(2x) and brine (2x), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to give 6-{4-[1-(hydroxymethyl)cyclobutyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (1.30 g, 99%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 472.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.84 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

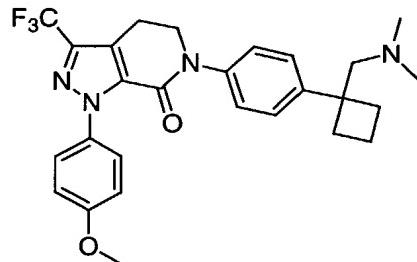
Part B. The product from part A (0.90 g, 1.91 mmol) was stirred in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. NaOAc (0.32 g, 3.82 mmol, 2.0 eq) and molecular sieves (4A, 0.90 g) were added followed by the addition of PCC (0.69 g, 2.87 mmol, 1.5 eq). The resulting slurry was stirred at RT for 4 h. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was filtered and rinsed with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The filtrate was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2x) and brine (2x), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to afford 1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclobutanecarbaldehyde (0.88 g, yield: 99%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 470.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 3.01 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

Part C. The product from part B (500 mg, 1.04 mmol), methylamine hydrochloride (200 mg, excess) were stirred in dichloroethane (15 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. NaBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub> (1.03 g, 5 4.86 mmol) was added followed by addition of three drops of HOAc. The reaction mixture was stirred at RT for 2.5 h. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was evaporated, and dissolved in aqueous MeOH. It was then purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run) to obtain 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-(4-{1-[ (methylamino)methyl]cyclobutyl}phenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (230 mg, 46%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 485.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.93 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.51 (d, 2H), 7.33 (m, 10 4H), 6.99 (d, 2H), 4.17 (m, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.62 (m, 15 2H), 3.17 (m, 2H), 2.73 (s, 3H), 2.46 (m, 4H), 2.15-1.86 (m, 2H) ppm. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ -62.18 (TFA), -76.65 (CF<sub>3</sub>) ppm.

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**Example 36**

**6-(4-{1-[(dimethylamino)methyl]cyclobutyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



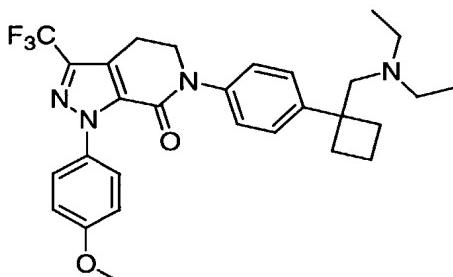
25 Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 35, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 499.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.75 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.49 (m, 4H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J =

9.1 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (t,  $J$  = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.77 (m, 2H), 3.17 (t,  $J$  = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.68 (s, 6H), 2.48 (t,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 2.09 (m, 1H), 1.89 (m, 1H) ppm.

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**Example 37**

**6-(4-{1-[(diethylamino)methyl]cyclobutyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**

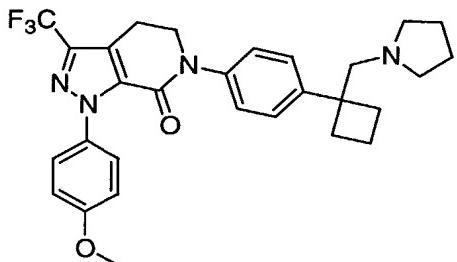


10 Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 35, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 527.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>,  $t_R$  = 5.04 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  7.53 (m, 4H), 7.39 (d,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz, 4H), 6.98 (d,  $J$  = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (t,  $J$  = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.68 (s, 2H), 3.17 (t,  $J$  = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.95 (m, 4H), 2.48 (t,  $J$  = 7.8 Hz, 4H), 2.10-1.85 (m, 2H), 1.16 (m, 6H) ppm.

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**Example 38**

20 **1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)cyclobutyl]phenyl}-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



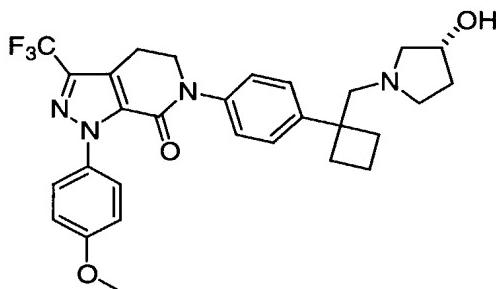
Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 35, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 525.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.97 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.51 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (m, 4H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (m, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.51 (m, 2H), 3.17 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.93 (m, 2H), 2.47 (m, 4H), 2.09-1.85 (m, 6H) ppm. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ -62.16 (TFA), -76.74 (CF<sub>3</sub>) ppm.

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### Example 39

**6-[4-{[(3R)-3-hydroxy-1-pyrrolidinyl]methyl}cyclobutyl]phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**

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Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 35, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run).

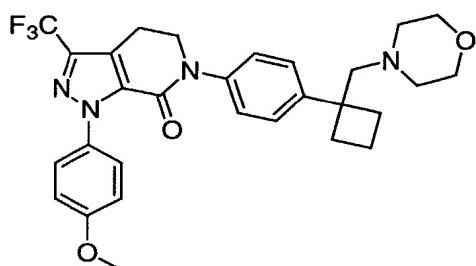
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LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 541.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.77 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.51 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (m, 4H), 6.98 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 4.33 (m, 1H), 4.20 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (m, 7H), 3.52 (m, 2H), 3.17 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.47 (m, 4H), 2.14-1.84 (m, 4H). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ -62.16 (TFA), -76.34 (CF<sub>3</sub>) ppm.

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**Example 40**

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{1-[1-(4-morpholinylmethyl)cyclobutyl]phenyl}-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



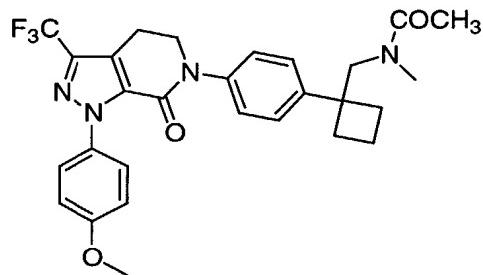
Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 35, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run).

LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 541.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.86 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.49 (m, 4H), 7.37 (m, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.18 (m, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.74 (m, 8H), 3.17 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.00 (m, 2H), 2.46 (m, 4H), 1.86 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 41**

**N-[(1-{(4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl)cyclobutyl}methyl]-N-methylacetamide**

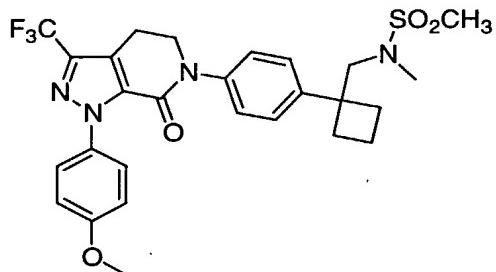


20 Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 21, the title compound was prepared by using the product from Example 37 and acetyl chloride as the starting material. The mixture was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 527.2 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 6.36 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.50 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H),

7.33 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H), 7.24 (m, 2H), 6.98 (d,  $J = 9.2$  Hz, 2H), 4.17 (d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.71, 3.67 (s, 2H), 3.17 (t,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 2H), 2.76, 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.35 (m, 2H), 2.18 (m, 1H), 2.08 (m, 1H), 1.76 (m, 2H), 1.33 (m, 5 1H) ppm.

#### Example 42

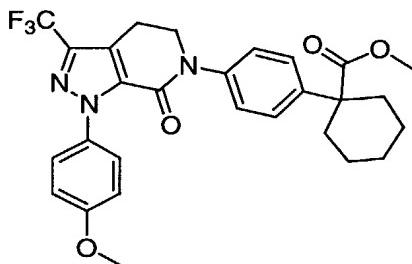
**N-[(1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-  
1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-  
y1]phenyl}cyclobutyl)methyl]-N-methylmethanesulfonamide**



Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 23, the title compound was prepared. The mixture was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run).  
15 LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 563.2 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>,  $t_R = 6.62$  min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-  
 $d_6$ )  $\delta$  7.50 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 4H), 7.34 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 2H),  
7.23 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 4.18  
(d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.45 (s, 2H), 3.17 (t,  $J$   
= 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.70 (s, 3H), 2.38 (m, 2H), 2.28 (s, 3H),  
20 2.26 (m, 2H), 2.03 (m, 1H), 1.81 (m, 1H) ppm.

#### Example 43

**1-{4-[1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,7-  
tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-y1]-  
25 phenyl}cyclohexanecarboxylic acid methyl ester**



Part A. 1-Phenyl-cyclohexylcarboxylic acid (3.0 g, 14.70 mmol) was stirred in HOAc (10 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. I<sub>2</sub> (3.73 g, 14.70 mmol) was added, followed by the addition of NaIO<sub>3</sub> (0.72 g, 3.64 mmol) and conc. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (0.2 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred at 70°C for 2 days. LC-MS showed the majority was the desired product. After partial evaporation, the cooled mixture was poured into H<sub>2</sub>O and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was washed with sodium thiosulfate and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to give almost pure 4-iodophenylcyclohexylcarboxylic acid (4.56 g, yield: 93.7%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 331.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 3.96 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 6-min run).

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Part B. The product of part A (0.70 g, 2.25 mmol) and 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (0.70 g, 2.25 mmol) were stirred in DMSO (3 mL) under N<sub>2</sub>. K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.93 g, mmol, 3.0 eq) was added, followed by the addition of 1,10-phenanthroline (80 mg, 20 mmol%) and CuI (85 mg, 20mmol%). The resulting mixture was stirred at 130°C for 2 days. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. EtOAc was added to the cooled solution. It was acidified with 1N HCl; and the organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 514.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>. The residue (50 mg) was dissolved in MeOH (5 mL), and conc. HCl (0.5 mL) was added. The resulting mixture was stirred at 60°C for 4 h. After cooling, the mixture was purified by prep LC-MS (35-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O) to give

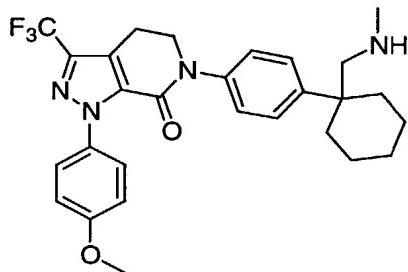
pure 1-{4-[1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]-phenyl}cyclohexanecarboxylic acid methyl ester (43 mg, yield: 83.7%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 528.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 6.38 min.

5 <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.45 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (AA'BB', J = 8.6 Hz, 4H), 6.92 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.13 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.15 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.45 (m, 2H), 1.72-1.24 (m, 8H) ppm.

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**Example 44**

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-(4-{1-[(methylamino)methyl]cyclohexyl}phenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



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Part A. The product from part B of Example 43 (1.34 g, 2.61 mmol) was stirred in THF (10 mL) at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.55 mL, 3.92 mmol, 1.5 eq) was added followed by dropwise addition of ClCO<sub>2</sub>Et (0.33 mL, 3.34 mmol, 1.3 eq). The

20 reaction mixture was then stirred at 0°C for 20 min. TLC showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was filtered, and rinsed with anhydrous THF. The THF filtrate (ca. 20 mL) was stirred at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. MeOH (3.5 mL) was added followed by the addition of NaBH<sub>4</sub> (1.00 g, 26.3 mmol, 10 eq). The resulting mixture was stirred at 0°C for 40 min. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. Sat'd Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was then added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (2x). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2x) and brine (2x), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to

dryness to give 6-{4-[1-(hydroxymethyl)cyclohexyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one (1.21 g, yield 92.8%).

LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 500.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t<sub>R</sub>* = 3.06 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.46 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (AA'BB', *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.15 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.49 (s, 2H), 3.16 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.24 (m, 2H), 2.13 (m, 2H), 1.56 (m, 4H), 1.34 (m, 2H) ppm.

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Part B. The product from part A (0.56 g, 1.12 mmol) was stirred in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. NaOAc (0.37 g, 4.48 mmol, 4 eq) and molecular sieves (4Å, 1.0 g) were added followed by the addition of PCC (0.73 g, 3.36 mmol, 3 eq). The resulting slurry was stirred at RT for 1.5h. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was filtered, and rinsed with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The filtrate was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2x) and brine (2x), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to afford 1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclohexanecarbaldehyde (0.54 g, yield: 100%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 498.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t<sub>R</sub>* = 3.20 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

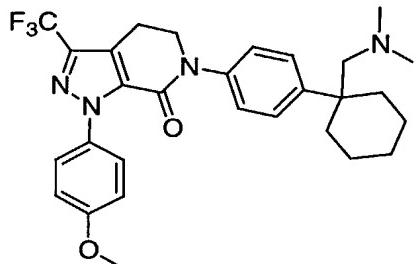
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Part C. The product from part B (0.4 g, 0.85 mmol) and methylamine hydrochloride (0.2 mg, 2.99 mmol, excess) were stirred in dichloroethane (8 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. NaBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub> (0.85 mg, 4.01 mmol) was added followed by addition of HOAc (0.1 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at RT for 2h. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was evaporated, and dissolved in aqueous MeOH. The mixture was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run) to afford 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-(4-{1-

[ (methylamino)methyl]cyclohexyl}phenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one (120 mg. Yield: 29%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 513.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t<sub>r</sub>* = 4.97 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.52 (m, 4H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.60 (s, 2H), 3.17 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.62 (s, 6H), 2.16-1.64 (m, 8H) ppm.

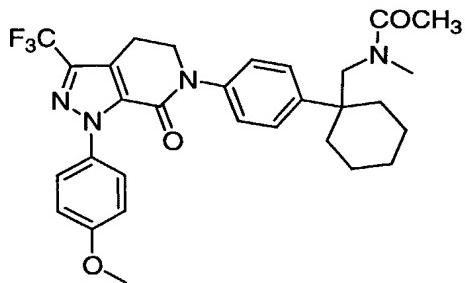
#### Example 45

10       **6-(4-{1-[(dimethylamino)methyl]cyclohexyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



#### Example 46

25       **N-[(1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl)cyclohexyl]methyl]-N-methylacetamide**



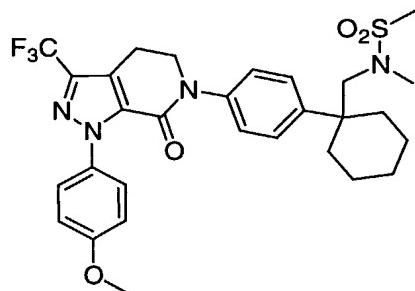
Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 21, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run).

5 LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 555.2 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 6.76 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (m, 4H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.39 (m, 2H), 3.17 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.70, 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.02, 1.93 (m, 3H), 1.56 (m, 6H), 1.40 (m, 4H) ppm.

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#### Example 47

**N-[(1-{[4-[(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclohexyl)methyl]-N-methylmethanesulfonamide**



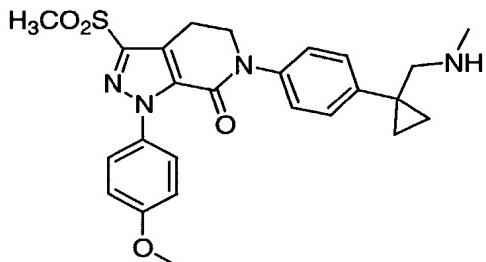
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Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 23, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run).

LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 591.2 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 6.90 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.50 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (AA'BB', *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.17 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.10 (s, 2H), 2.69 (m, 3H), 2.21 (m, 3H), 1.57 (m, 6H), 1.29 (m, 4H) ppm.

**Example 48**

1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-(4-{1-[  
5 (methylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-3-  
(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro 7H-pyrazolo[3,4-  
c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt



Part A. 3-Chloro-5,6-dihydro-2(1*H*)-pyridinone (10.0 g, 38.17 mmol) and (1*Z*)-1-[chloro(methylsulfonyl)methylene]-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)hydrazine (5.0 g, 38.17 mmol) were stirred 10 in toluene (200 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. Et<sub>3</sub>N (30 mL, 215.24 mmol) in toluene (150 mL) was added dropwise to the solution. After addition, the mixture was heated at 85°C overnight. After cooling, H<sub>2</sub>O was added. It was extracted with EtOAc (2x). The organic layers were washed with H<sub>2</sub>O 15 (2x) and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, then CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:EtOAc = 1:1, then EtOAc) to give 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4- 20 c]pyridin-7-one (3.85 g, yield: 31%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 322.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 1.79 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

Part B. The product from part A (2.07 g, 6.23 mmol) and 4-iodophenylcyclopropylcarboxylic acid (2.75 g, 9.54 mmol, 25 1.5 eq) were stirred in DMSO (6 mL) under N<sub>2</sub>. K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (2.57 g, 18.62 mmol, 3.0 eq) was added, followed by the addition of CuI (0.24 g, 20 mol%) and 1,10-phenanthroline (0.23 g, 20 mol%). The resulting mixture was heated at 130°C overnight. After cooling, 1N HCl was added to acidify the solution. 30 It was extracted with EtOAc (2x), washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and

brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to give 1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-7-oxo-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (2.95 g, 5 yield: 95%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 482.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.25 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

Part C. The product from part B (2.21 g, 4.59 mmol) was stirred in THF (15 mL) at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.96 mL, 6.89 mmol, 1.5 eq) was added, followed by dropwise addition of ClCO<sub>2</sub>Et (0.57 mL, 5.48 mmol, 1.2 eq). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 0°C for 40 min. TLC showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was filtered, and rinsed with anhydrous THF. The THF filtrate (ca. 20 mL) was stirred at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. MeOH (4 mL) was added, followed by portionwise addition of NaBH<sub>4</sub> (1.62 g, 42.63 mmol, 9 eq). The resulting mixture was stirred at 0°C for 35 min. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. Sat'd Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was then added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (2x). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2x) and brine (2x), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to give 6-{4-[1-(hydroxymethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (0.23 g, 84.7%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 468.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.24 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

Part D. The product from part C (1.52 g, 3.27 mmol) was stirred in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (15 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. NaOAc (0.54 g, 6.54 mmol, 2.0 eq) and molecular sieves (4Å, 1.5 g) were added, followed by the addition of PCC (1.06 g, 4.90 mmol, 1.5 eq). The resulting slurry was stirred at RT for 2 h. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was filtered through Celite®, and

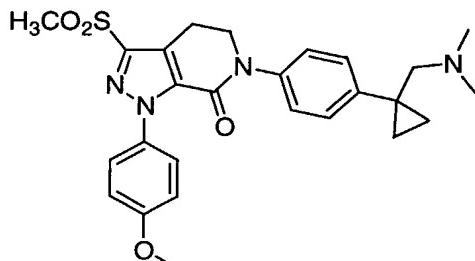
rinsed with  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ . The filtrate was washed with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2x) and brine (2x), dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , filtered, and concentrated to dryness to give 1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-7-oxo-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-5 pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclopropanecarbaldehyde (1.35 g, yield: 89%). LC/MS (ESI $^+$ ) 466.4 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ) $^+$ ,  $t_{\text{R}} = 2.38$  min (10-90%  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in a 4-min run).

Part E. The product from Part E (100 mg, 0.22 mmol) and 10 methylamine hydrochloride (50 mg, excess) were stirred in dichloroethane (1 mL) in a capped vial.  $\text{NaBH}(\text{OAc})_3$  (250 mg, 1.16 mmol) was added followed by addition of one drop of HOAc. The reaction mixture was stirred at RT for 1.5 h. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The 15 mixture was evaporated, and dissolved in aqueous MeOH. It was then purified by prep LC-MS (5-98%  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in a 10-min run) to obtain the product 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{1-[ (methylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro 7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-20 *c*]pyridin-7-one (33 mg, 31.3%). LC/MS (ESI $^+$ ) 481.4 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ) $^+$ ,  $t_{\text{R}} = 3.99$  min.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (acetone- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  7.53 (m, 4H), 7.32 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 4.13 (t,  $J = 6.4$  Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.46 (m, 2H), 3.26 (m, 5H), 2.80 (m, 3H), 1.11 (m, 2H), 1.00 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 49**

**6-{4-[1-[(dimethylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



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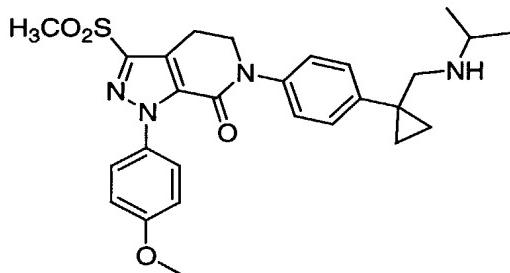
Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 48, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 495.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.06 min.

5 <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.55 (m, 4H), 7.38 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.16 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (m, 3H), 3.71 (m, 2H), 3.64 (m, 2H), 3.29, 3.25 (m, 6H), 3.09 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.99 (m, 3H), 1.17 (m, 2H), 1.13 (m, 2H) ppm.

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#### Example 50

**6-(4-{1-[(isopropylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



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Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 48, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 509.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.34 min.

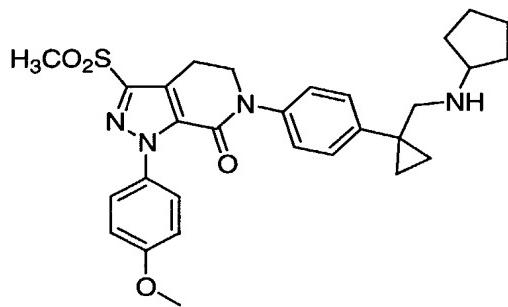
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<sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.58 (m, 4H), 7.33 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 4.52 (m, 1H), 4.16 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.79 (m, 2H), 3.61 (m, 1H), 3.48 (m, 2H), 3.29 (m, 5H), 1.33 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 1.17 (m, 2H), 1.07 (m, 2H) ppm.

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#### Example 51

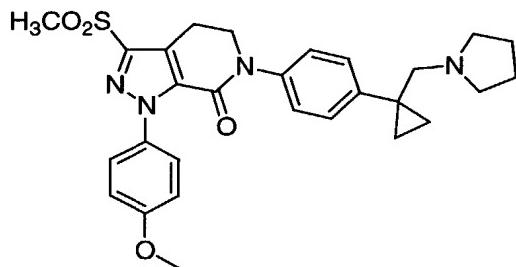
**6-(4-{1-[(cyclopentylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt,**



Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 48, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 535.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 4.30 min.  
 5 <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.55 (m, 4H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.16 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.64 (m, 1H), 3.44 (m, 2H), 3.09 (m, 2H), 2.05 (m, 2H), 1.70 (m, 4H), 1.53 (m, 2H), 1.16 (m, 2H),  
 10 0.98 (m, 2H) ppm.

#### Example 52

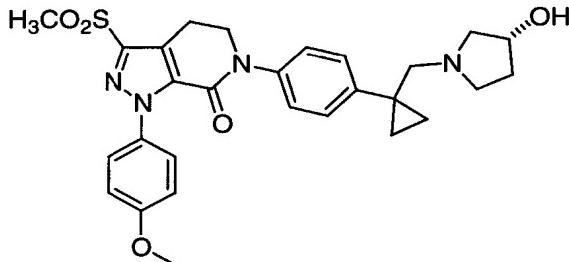
1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-6-{4-[1-(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-  
 15 7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt



Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 48, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 521.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 4.07 min.  
 20 <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.58 (m, 4H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.70 (m, 4H), 3.28 (m, 5H), 3.09 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.08-2.03 (m, 2H), 1.16 (m, 2H), 1.06 (m, 2H) ppm.

**Example 53**

5           **6-[4-{1-[(3R)-3-hydroxy-1-pyrrolidinyl]methyl}cyclopropyl]phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**

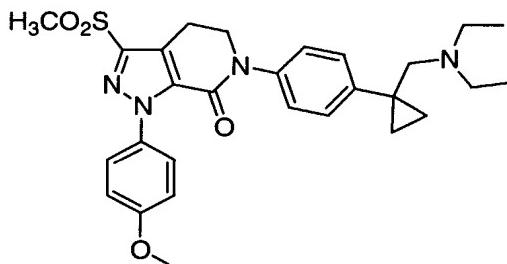


Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 48, the title compound was prepared.

10          The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 537.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 3.90 min.  
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.55 (m, 4H), 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.52 (m, 1H), 4.17 (m, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.79 (m, 2H), 3.63 (m, 2H), 3.29 (m, 5H), 3.09 (m, 2H), 2.17 (m, 2H), 1.17 (m, 2H), 1.07 (m, 2H) ppm.

**Example 54**

20          **6-(4-{1-[(diethylamino)methyl}cyclopropyl]phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



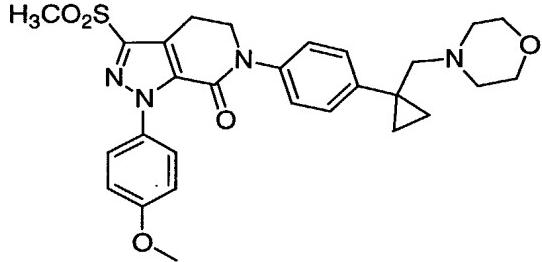
Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 48, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 523.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.54 min.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.55 (m, 4H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.16 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.56 (m, 4H), 3.28 (m, 3H), 3.10 (m, 2H), 1.17 (m, 5H), 1.17 (m, 2H), 1.05 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 55**

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-6-{4-[1-(4-morpholinylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one**



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Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 48, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 537.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 4.18 min.

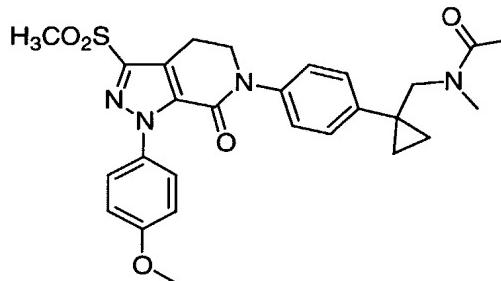
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<sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.54 (m, 4H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.17 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (m, 7H), 3.68 (m, 2H), 3.61 (m, 2H), 3.25 (m, 5H), 3.15 (m, 2H), 2.08-2.03 (m, 2H), 1.18 (m, 2H), 1.07 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 56**

**N-[(1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-7-oxo-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl)cyclopropyl]methyl]-N-methylacetamide**



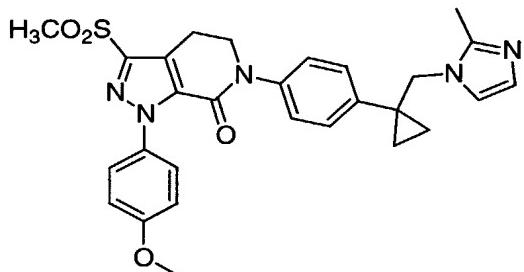
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Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 21, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 523.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 5.07 min.

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### Example 57

**3-methanesulfonyl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(2-methylimidazol-1-ylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**



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Part A. The product of part C in example 48 (0.69 g, 1.48 mmol) was stirred in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (6 mL) at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. PPh<sub>3</sub> (0.50 g, 1.91 mmol, 1.3 eq) was added, followed by the addition of CBr<sub>4</sub> (0.49 g, 1.48 mmol, 1.0 eq). The resulting mixture was stirred at 0°C for 30 min. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.73 min). Sat'd NH<sub>4</sub>Cl was then added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness (0.39 g, yield: 50%). The product was used directly in the next step. LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 530.2, 532.2 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>.

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Part B. The product of Part A (0.13 g, 0.25 mmol), 2-methylimidazole (50 mg, 0.64 mmol), and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.13 g, 1.0 mmol) were stirred in DMF (0.4 mL) under N<sub>2</sub>. The mixture was heated at 85-90°C for 30 min. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. After cooling to RT, H<sub>2</sub>O was added. The mixture was purified by prep LC-MS (15-70% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O) to

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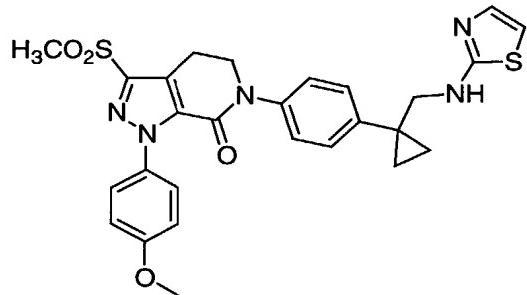
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give pure 3-methanesulfonyl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(2-methylimidazol-1-ylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (36 mg, yield %). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 532.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>,  $t_R$  = 4.43 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-<sup>5</sup>*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  7.57 (m, 1H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.26 (AA'BB', *J* = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 4.41 (s, 2H), 4.13 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.25 (m, 5H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 1.27 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 1.03 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 58**

**3-methanesulfonyl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(thiazol-2-ylaminomethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**



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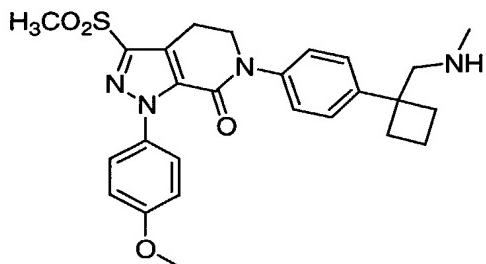
Following a procedure analogous to that of Example 25, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (35-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 550.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>,  $t_R$  = 2.36 min.

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**Example 59**

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-[(methylamino)methyl]cyclobutyl]phenyl}-3-(methysulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro 7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**

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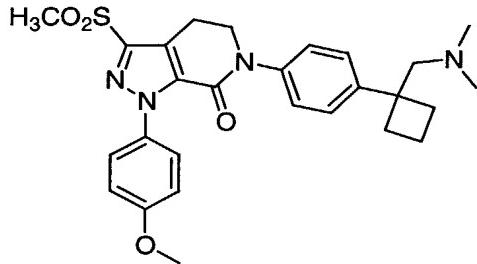


Following a procedure analogous to that used for Example 48, the title compound was prepared. It was then purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run,  $t_R$  = 4.04 min). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 495.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  7.53 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 7.32 (m, 4H), 7.00 (d,  $J$  = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 4.14 (t,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.47 (br, s, 2H), 3.27 (m, 5H), 2.61 (br, s, 3H), 2.48-1.85 (m, 6H) ppm.

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#### Example 60

**6-(4-{1-[(dimethylamino)methyl]cyclobutyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



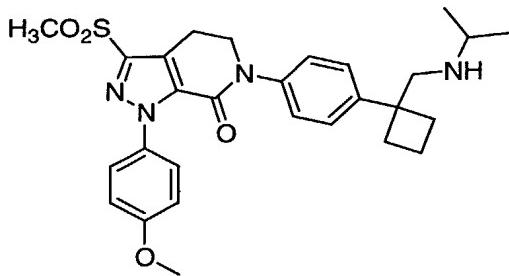
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Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 48, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 509.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>,  $t_R$  = 4.15 min.

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#### Example 61

**6-(4-{1-[(isopropylamino)methyl]cyclobutyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



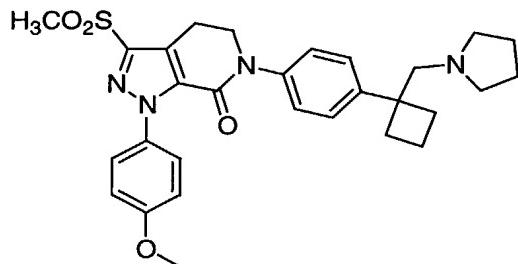
Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 48, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98%  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in a 10-min run). LC/MS

5 (ESI $^+$ ) 523.4 ( $\text{M}+\text{H})^+$ ,  $t_{\text{R}} = 4.27$  min.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (acetone- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  7.53 (d,  $J = 9.1$  Hz, 4H), 7.36 (AA'BB',  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 4H), 7.00 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 4.16 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.52 (br, s, 2H), 3.27 (m, 5H), 2.81 (m, 1H), 2.42 (m, 4H), 2.04-1.94 (m, 2H), 1.17 (d,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 6H) ppm.

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#### Example 62

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-6-{4-[1-(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)cyclobutyl]phenyl}-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



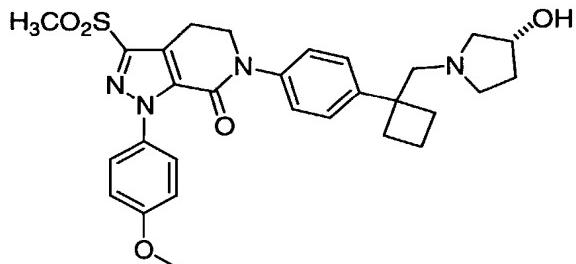
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Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 48, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (15-70%  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in a 10-min run). LC/MS

(ESI $^+$ ) 535.4 ( $\text{M}+\text{H})^+$ ,  $t_{\text{R}} = 4.74$  min.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (acetone- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  7.53 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.41 (AA'BB',  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 4.18 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 4.14 (m, 4H), 3.83 (m, 5H), 3.27 (m, 5H), 2.46 (m, 4H), 2.09-1.85 (m, 6H) ppm.

**Example 63**

**6-[4-{[[(3R)-3-hydroxy-1-pyrrolidinyl]methyl]cyclobutyl}phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



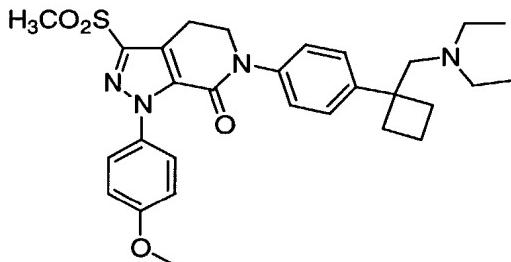
Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 48, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS

10 (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 551.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 4.06 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.53 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (m, 4H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 4.30 (m, 1H), 4.18 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.78 (m, 2H), 3.49 (m, 2H), 3.27 (m, 5H), 2.82 (m, 2H), 2.46 (m, 6H), 2.10-1.81 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 64**

**6-(4-{1-[(diethylamino)methyl]cyclobutyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



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Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 48, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS

(ESI<sup>+</sup>) 537.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 4.62 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ

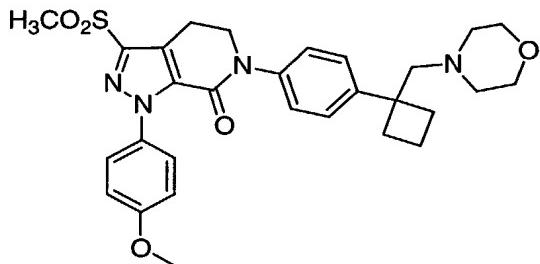
25 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.00

(d,  $J = 9.2$  Hz, 2H), 4.18 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.74 (m, 2H), 3.27 (s+t, 5H), 3.03 (m, 4H), 2.49 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 4H), 2.09-1.89 (m, 2H), 1.19 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 6H) ppm.

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**Example 65**

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-6-{4-[1-(4-morpholinylmethyl)cyclobutyl]phenyl}-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



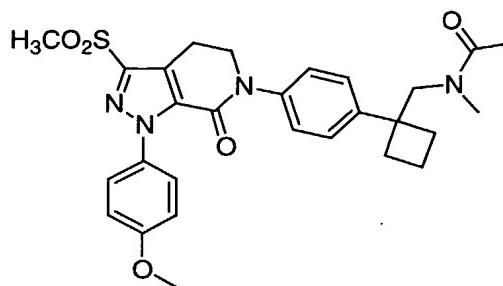
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Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 48, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 551.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>,  $t_R = 4.12$  min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  7.53 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.37 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d,  $J = 9.1$  Hz, 2H), 4.17 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.74 (m, 10H), 3.27 (m, 5H), 2.46 (m, 4H), 2.10-1.84 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 66**

**N-[(1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-7-oxo-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl)cyclopropyl]methyl]-N-methylacetamide**



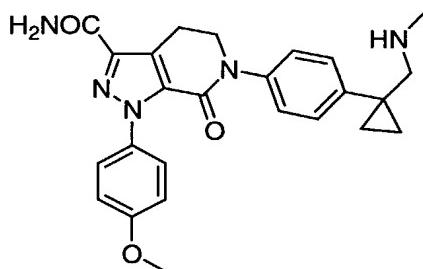
Following a procedure analogous to that of Example 21, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). ESI, LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 551.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.12 min.

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### Example 67

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-(4-{1-[methylamino]methyl}cyclopropyl)phenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carboxamide, trifluoroacetic acid salt**

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Part A. 4-Iodophenylcyclopropyl acetic acid (1.93 g, 6.70 mmol) and 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(ethoxycarbonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one (1.41 g, 4.46 mmol) were stirred in DMSO (4 mL) under N<sub>2</sub>. K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.84 g, 13.33 mmol, 3.0 eq) was added followed by the addition of 1,10-phenanthroline (0.15 g, 20 mol%) and CuI (0.16 g, 20 mol%). The resulting mixture was stirred at 110°C overnight. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. EtOAc was added to the cooled solution. It was acidified with 1N HCl, and the organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to afford 1-{4-[3-(ethoxycarbonyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (1.54 g, yield: 72.6%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 476.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.58 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

Part B. The product from part B (1.43 g, 3.01 mmol) was stirred in THF (13 mL) at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.63 mL, 4.32

mmol, 1.5 eq) was added followed by dropwise addition of ClCOOEt (0.37 mL, 4.16 mmol, 1.3 eq). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 0°C for 20 min. TLC showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was filtered, and rinsed with 5 anhydrous THF. The THF filtrate (ca. 20 mL) was stirred at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. MeOH (3 mL) was added followed by the addition of NaBH<sub>4</sub> (1.03 g, 27.10 mmol, 10 eq). The resulting mixture was stirred at 0°C for 15 min. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. Sat'd Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was 10 then added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (2x). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2x) and brine (2x), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to give 6-{4-[1-(hydroxymethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(ethoxycarbonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (1.30 g, 99%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 15 462.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.57 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

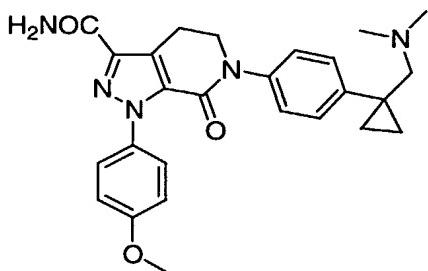
Part C. The product from part B (1.90 g, 4.12 mmol) was 20 stirred in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (13 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. NaOAc (1.01 g, 12.20 mmol, 3 eq) and molecular sieves (2.0 g) were added followed by the addition of PCC (1.78 g, 8.24 mmol, 2 eq). The resulting slurry was stirred at RT for 1.5 h. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. 25 The mixture was filtered, and rinsed with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The filtrate was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2x) and brine (2x), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to afford ethyl 6-[4-(1-formylcyclopropyl)phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-30 c]pyridine-3-carboxylate (1.90 g, yield: 100%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 460.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.69 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

Part D. The product from part C (250 mg, 0.55 mmol), methylamine hydrochloride (0.5 g, excess) were stirred in dichloroethane (15 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. NaBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub> (1.03 g, 4.86 mmol) was added followed by addition of three drops of HOAc. The reaction mixture was stirred at RT for 1.5 h. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was quenched with H<sub>2</sub>O, and extracted with EtOAc (2x). The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to obtain crude ethyl 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-(4-{1-[ (methylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxylate (109 mg, yield: 42%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 475.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.08 min.

Part E. The product from part D (50 mg, 0.105 mmol) was stirred in ethylene glycol (saturated with NH<sub>3</sub>) in a capped Pyrex tube at 80°C for 4 h. After cooling, the mixture was diluted with MeOH, and purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run) to afford 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-(4-{1-[ (methylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide (29 mg, yield: 60%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 445.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 3.53 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.49 (m, 4H), 7.29 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 4.06 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.32 (s, 2H), 3.24 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.66 (s, 3H), 1.10 (m, 2H), 0.94 (m, 2H) ppm.

#### Example 68

6-(4-{1-[ (dimethylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide, trifluoroacetic acid salt



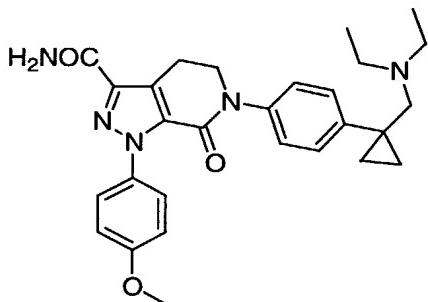
Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 67, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98%  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in a 10-min run). LC/MS

5 (ESI $^+$ ) 460.6 ( $\text{M}+\text{H})^+$ ,  $t_{\text{R}} = 3.93$  min.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (acetone- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  7.52 (m, 4H), 7.33 (m, 2H), 6.97 (d,  $J = 9.2$  Hz, 2H), 4.10 (t,  $J = 6.3$  Hz, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.52 (m, 2H), 3.26 (t,  $J = 6.3$  Hz, 2H), 2.69 (m, 6H), 1.18 (m, 2H), 1.04 (m, 2H) ppm.

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#### Example 69

**6-(4-{1-[(diethylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



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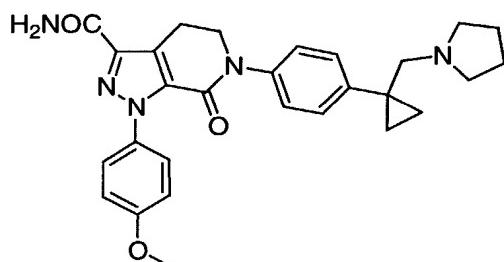
Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 67, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98%  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in a 10-min run). LC/MS

(ESI $^+$ ) 488.6 ( $\text{M}+\text{H})^+$ ,  $t_{\text{R}} = 3.90$  min.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (acetone- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  7.57 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.51 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d,  $J = 9.1$  Hz, 2H), 4.08 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.62 (m, 2H), 3.24 (m, 6H), 1.16 (m, 8H), 1.05 (m, 2H) ppm.

**Example 70**

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-6-{4-[1-(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carboxamide, trifluoroacetic acid salt**

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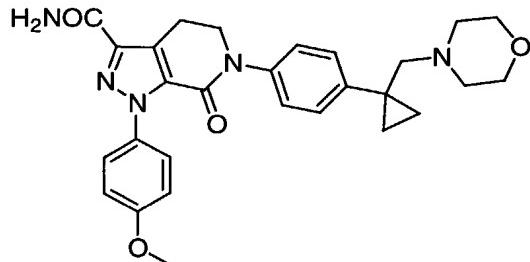
Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 67, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS

10 (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 486.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 3.88 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.32 (m, 4H), 6.99 (m, 2H), 4.09 (m, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.56 (m, 6H), 3.26 (m, 2H), 1.91 (m, 4H), 1.13 (m, 2H), 0.98 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 71**

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(4-morpholinylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carboxamide, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



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Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 67, the title compound was prepared. It was then purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 3.67 min).

LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 502.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.51 (d, *J*

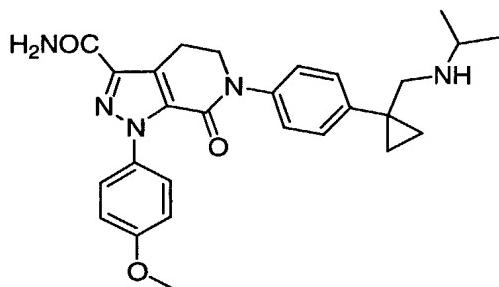
25 = 8.6 Hz, 4H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.4

Hz, 4H), 6.95 (d,  $J$  = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 4.09 (t,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.48 (m, 6H), 3.26 (t,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.82 (m, 2H), 2.40 (m, 2H), 0.81 (m, 2H), 0.73 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 72**

**6-(4-{1-[(isopropylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide, trifluoroacetic acid salt**

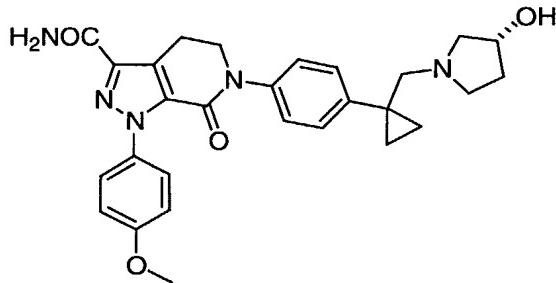


10 Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 67, the title compound was prepared. It was then purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run,  $t_R$  = 4.18 min). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 474.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  7.53 (m, 4H), 7.28 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 4.08 (m, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.35 (m, 3H), 3.25 (m, 2H), 1.27 (d,  $J$  = 6.2 Hz, 6H), 1.11 (m, 2H), 0.92 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 73**

20 **6-[4-(1-[(3*R*)-3-hydroxy-1-pyrrolidinyl]methyl]cyclopropyl]phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



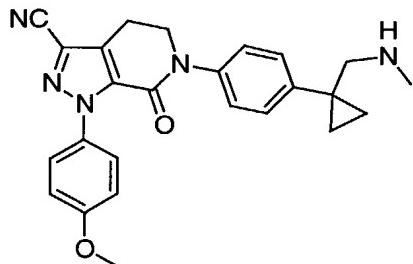
Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 67, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 502.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 3.81 min.

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#### **Example 74**

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-(4-{1-[methylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carbonitrile, trifluoroacetic acid salt**

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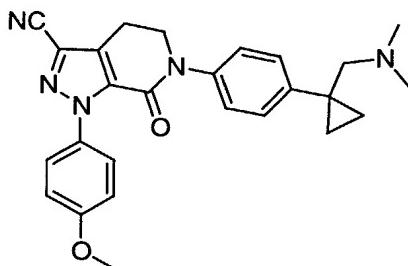
The product of Example 67 (15 mg) was stirred in DMF (0.5 mL) at RT in a capped vial. Two drops of thionyl chloride was added. The reaction was completed in 10 min. The mixture was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run) to give pure 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-(4-{1-[methylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carbonitrile (11 mg, yield: 76.2%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 428.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.49 min.

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#### **Example 75**

**6-(4-{1-[(dimethylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carbonitrile, trifluoroacetic acid salt**

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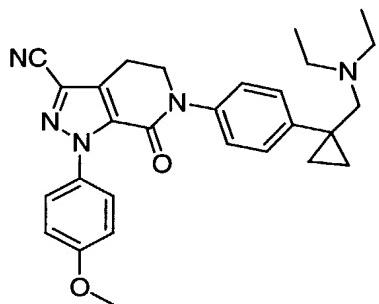
Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 74, the title compound was prepared. It was then purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.44 min).

LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 442.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.53 (m, 4H), 7.33 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 4.18 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.57 (s, 2H), 3.18 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.78 (s, 6H), 1.16 (m, 2H), 1.06 (m, 2H) ppm.

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#### Example 76

**6-(4-{1-[(diethylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carbonitrile, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



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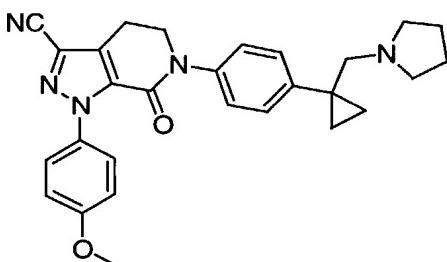
Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 74, the title compound was prepared. It was then purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.60 min).

LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 470.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.58 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.58-3.18 (m, 6H), 3.19 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.18 (m, 8H), 1.06 (m, 2H) ppm.

**Example 77**

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-6-{4-[1-(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carbonitrile, trifluoroacetic acid salt**

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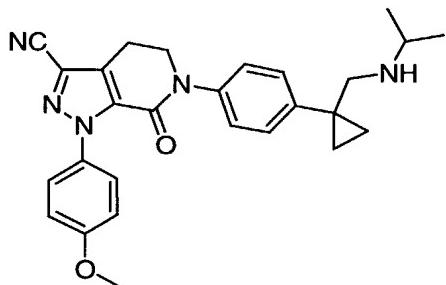


Following a procedure analogous to that used in step F of Example 74, the title compound was prepared. LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 468.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>,  $t_R$  = 4.49 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  7.52 (d,  $J$  = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (AA'BB',  $J$  = 8.6 Hz, 4H), 6.99 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.18 (t,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.59 (m, 2H), 3.19 (t,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.75 (m, 4H), 2.01 (m, 4H), 1.14 (m, 2H), 1.00 (m, 2H).

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**Example 78**

**6-(4-{1-[(isopropylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carbonitrile, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



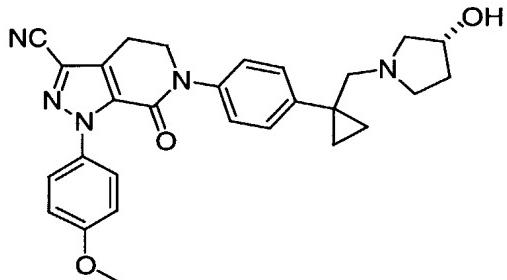
20 Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 74, the title compound was prepared. It was then purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run,  $t_R$  = 4.57 min). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 456.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  7.53 (m, 4H), 7.31 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d,  $J$  = 9.1 Hz, 2H),

4.17 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.19 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.17 (m, 3H), 1.28 (d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 6H), 1.13 (m, 2H), 0.93 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 79**

**6-[4-{[(3R)-3-hydroxy-1-pyrrolidinyl]methyl}cyclopropyl]phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carbonitrile, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



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Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 74, the title compound was prepared. It was then purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run,  $t_R = 4.34$  min).

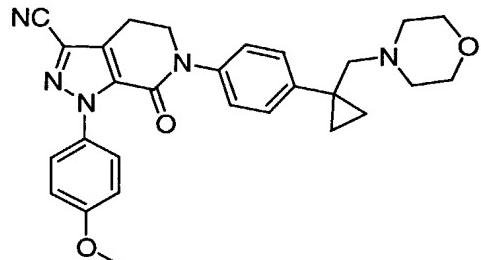
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LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 484.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  7.53 (m, 4H), 7.35 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d,  $J = 9.2$  Hz, 2H), 4.19 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.62 (m, 5H), 3.19 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 2.91 (m, 2H), 1.85 (m, 2H), 1.18 (m, 2H), 1.01 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 80**

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(4-morpholinylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carbonitrile, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



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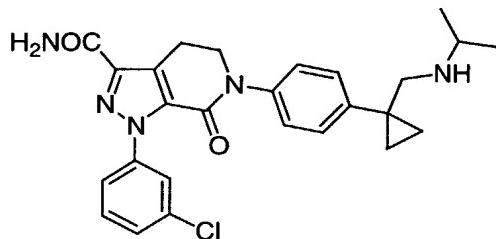
Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 67, the title compound was prepared. It was then purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 4.46 min).

LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 484.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.52 (m, 5 H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 4.17 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.47 (m, 7H), 3.62 (s, 2H), 3.49 (m, 2H), 3.17 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.07 (m, 2H), 1.17 (m, 2H), 1.06 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 81**

**1-(3-chlorophenyl)-6-{4-[1-(isopropylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl}-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carboxamide**



15 Part A. 1-(3-Chlorophenyl)-3-(ethoxycarbonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one (1.14 g, 3.57 mmol) and 4-iodophenylcyclopropyl acetic acid (1.13 g, 1.1 eq) were stirred in DMSO (4 mL) under N<sub>2</sub>. K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.48 g, mmol, 3 eq) was added, followed by the addition of 1,10-20 phenanthroline (0.13 g, 20 mol%) and CuI (0.14 g, 20 mol%). The resulting mixture was stirred at 130°C overnight. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. EtOAc was added to the cooled solution. It was washed with 1N HCl, H<sub>2</sub>O, and brine; dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>; filtered; and concentrated in 25 vacuo to give almost pure 1-{4-[1-(3-chlorophenyl)-7-oxo-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (0.87 g, yield: 51%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 480.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>.

Part B. The product from Part A (0.54 g, 1.13 mmol) was stirred in THF (6 mL) at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.24 mL, 1.5 eq) was added, followed by dropwise addition of ClCOOEt (0.14 mL, 1.3 eq). The reaction mixture was then stirred 5 at 0°C for 1 h. TLC showed the completion of the reaction. The mixture was filtered through a filter funnel and rinsed with anhydrous THF. The THF filtrate (ca. 10 mL) was stirred at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.52 g, 10 eq) was added, followed by the addition of MeOH (2.5 mL). The resulting 10 mixture was stirred at 0°C. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. Sat'd Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was then added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (2x). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2x) and brine (2x), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to give 1-(3-chlorophenyl)-6-{4-[1-(hydroxymethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-3-(ethoxycarbonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (0.31 g, yield: 52.4%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 466.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>.

Part C. The product from Part B (0.31 g, 0.22 mmol) was stirred in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. NaOAc (0.16 g, 1.95 mmol) and molecular sieves (0.5 g) were added, followed by the addition of PCC (0.29 g, 1.34 mmol). The resulting slurry was stirred at RT for 1.5h. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was filtered through Celite, and rinsed with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The filtrate was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2x), brine (2x), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to give almost pure 1-(3-chlorophenyl)-6-[4-(1-formylcyclopropyl)phenyl]-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (0.20 g, yield: 87.4%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 464.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>.

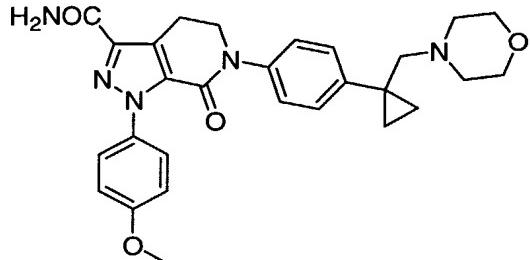
Part D. The product from Part C (100 mg) and isopropyl amine (0.1 mL, excess) were stirred in dichloroethane (1

mL) in a capped vial. NaBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub> (200 mg) was added, followed by addition of one drop of HOAc. The reaction mixture was stirred at RT for 1.5 h. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was 5 evaporated, and dissolved in aqueous MeOH. It was then purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run) to obtain pure 1-(3-chlorophenyl)-6-{4-[1-(isopropylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl}-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carboxamide (60 mg, 10 yield: 55%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 507.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 4.68 min.

Part E. The product from part D (60 mg) was stirred in ethylene glycol (saturated with NH<sub>3</sub>) in a capped Pyrex tube at 80°C for 4 h. After cooling, the mixture was diluted 15 with MeOH and purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run) to afford the title compound (35 mg, yield: 62%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 478.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 4.34 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.74 (s, 1H), 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.45 (m, 4H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.11 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.44 20 (m, 1H), 3.38 (m, 2H), 3.26 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.29 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 6H), 1.12 (m, 2H), 0.94 (m, 2H) ppm.

### Example 82

25 **1-(3-chlorophenyl)-6-{4-[1-(4-morpholinylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carboxamide, trifluoroacetic acid salt**

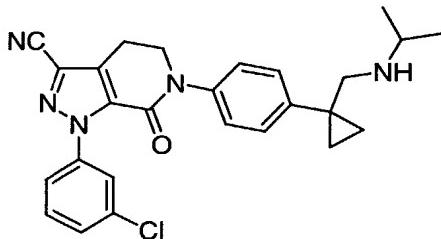


Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 81, 30 the title compound was prepared. The product was purified

by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 506.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 4.57 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.73 (s, 1H), 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.47 (m, 4H), 7.29 (m, 2H), 4.09 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.74 (m, 4H), 3.53 (m, 2H), 3.27 5 (m, 2H), 3.07 (m, 4H), 1.07 (m, 2H), 1.00 (m, 2H) ppm.

### Example 83

**6-(4-{1-[(isopropylamino)methyl]cyclopropyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-  
c]pyridine-3-carbonitrile, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



Following a procedure analogous to that used in step F of Example 74, the title compound was prepared. It was then purified by prep LC-MS (35-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run, *t*<sub>R</sub> 15 = 2.78 min). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 460.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.75 (s, 1H), 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.53 (m, 4H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.48 (m, 1H), 3.41 (m, 2H), 3.21 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.29 (d, , *J* = 6.3 Hz, 6H), 1.14 (m, 2H), 0.95 (m, 2H) ppm.

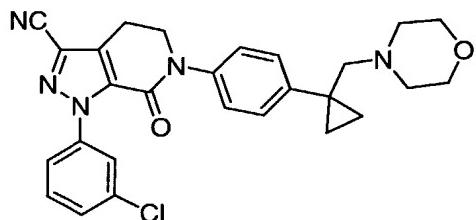
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### Example 84

**1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(4-morpholinylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carbonitrile,**

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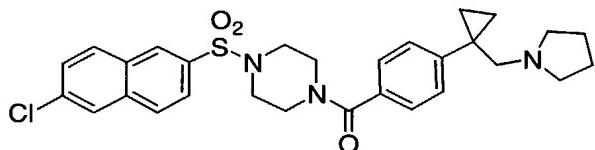
**trifluoroacetic acid salt**



Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 74, the title compound was prepared. It was then purified by prep LC-MS (35-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 2.80 min). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 488.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 5 7.73 (s, 1H), 7.62 (m, 1H), 7.54 (m, 4H), 7.34 (m, 2H), 4.19 (m, 2H), 3.83 (m, 8H), 3.61 (m, 2H), 3.19 (m, 2H), 1.17 (m, 2H), 1.05 (m, 2H) ppm.

### Example 85

10           **1-[(6-chloro-2-naphthyl)sulfonyl]-4-{4-[1-(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)cyclopropyl]benzoyl}piperazine**



Part A. 1-(4-Iodophenyl)cyclopropane carboxylic acid (0.64 g, 2.25 mmol) was stirred in THF (10 mL) at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. 15 Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.47 mL, 3.37 mmol) was added, followed by dropwise addition of ClCO<sub>2</sub>Et (0.28 mL, 2.93 mmol). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 0°C for 30 min. TLC showed the completion of the reaction. The mixture was filtered through a filter funnel and rinsed with anhydrous THF. The 20 THF filtrate (ca.15 mL) was stirred at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.41 g, 10.8 mmol) was added, followed by addition of MeOH (3 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred at 0°C for 30 min. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. Sat'd Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was then added. The mixture was extracted with 25 EtOAc (2x). The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2x) and brine (2x), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The resulting alcohol was stirred in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. NaOAc (0.42 g, 5.12 mmol) and molecular sieves (4Å, 0.75 g) were added, followed by 30 the addition of PCC (0.83 g, 3.84 mmol). The resulting slurry was stirred at RT for 1.5 h. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was

filtered through Celite, and rinsed with  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ . The filtrate was washed with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2x) and brine (2x), dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , filtered, and concentrated in vacuo to give almost pure 4-iodophenylcyclopropanecarbaldehyde. This aldehyde and pyrrolidine (0.37 mmol) were stirred in dichloroethane (6 mL) at RT under  $\text{N}_2$ .  $\text{NaBH}(\text{OAc})_3$  (1.37 mg, mmol) was added, followed by addition of several drops of HOAc. The reaction mixture was stirred at RT for 20 min. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction.  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  was added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc; and the organic extracts were washed with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2x) and brine (2x), dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , filtered, and concentrated to dryness to give almost pure 1-[(1-(4-iodophenyl)cyclopropyl)methyl]pyrrolidine (0.41 g, yield % for 3 steps). LC/MS (ESI $^+$ ) 328.2 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ) $^+$  (10-90%  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in a 4-min run,  $t_{\text{R}} = 1.77$  min).

Part B. The product from part A (0.40 g, 1.24 mmol), KOAc (0.61 g, 5.0 eq),  $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$  (0.03 g, 0.1 eq), and dppf (0.14 g, 0.2 eq) were stirred in DMF (3 mL) at RT. The mixture was degassed twice and purged with CO. The mixture was heated at 60°C under CO atmosphere with a balloon for 2.5 h. LS-MS showed completion of the reaction. After cooling,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  was added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (2x). The aqueous layer was then acidified, and concentrated to dryness. MeOH was added, and filtered off inorganic salts. The filtrate was concentrated and vacuum dried to give almost pure 4-[(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)cyclopropyl]benzoic acid (0.32 g, yield: 96%). LC/MS (ESI $^+$ ) 246.4 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ) $^+$  (10-90%  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in a 4-min run,  $t_{\text{R}} = 1.32$  min).

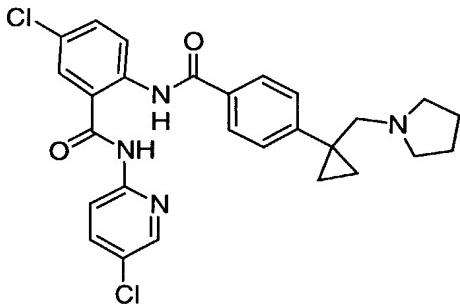
Part C. The product of part B (0.41 g, 1.68 mmol) was stirred in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (10 mL) at RT under  $\text{N}_2$ .  $(\text{COCl})_2$  (0.5 mL)

was added, followed by the addition of one drop of DMF. The mixture was stirred at RT for 1 h. The solvent was evaporated and dried in *vacuo*. The resulting acid chloride (0.16 g, 0.61 mmol) was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL), 1-[(6-chloro-2-naphthyl)sulfonyl]piperazine (0.21 g, 0.61 mmol) was added, followed by the addition of DIEA (0.21 mL, 1.21 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred at RT for 20 min. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The solvent was evaporated. The residue was dissolve in MeOH, and purified by RP Prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run) to give pure title compound (210 mg, yield: 64.1%). It was then purified by prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run, t<sub>R</sub> = 4.71 min). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 538.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>.

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**Example 86**

**5-chloro-N-(5-chloro-2-pyridinyl)-2-({4-[1-(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)cyclopropyl]benzoyl}amino)benzamide, trifluoroacetic acid salt**



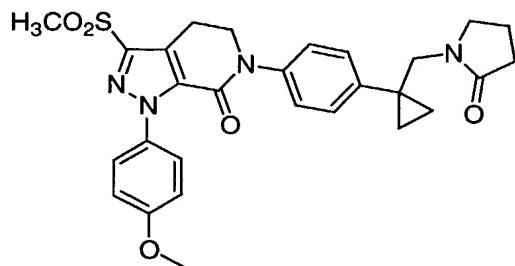
20 Part A. The product from Part B of Example 85 (0.16 g, 0.65 mmol) was stirred in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. (COCl)<sub>2</sub> (0.2 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at RT for 1 h. The solvent was evaporated and dried in *vacuo*. The resulting acid chloride was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (6 mL), 25 2-amino-5-chlorobenzoic acid methyl ester (0.16 g, 0.86 mmol) was added, followed by the addition of DIEA (0.30 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred at RT for 2 h. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The solvent was evaporated. The residue was dissolve in EtOAc,

washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated to give methyl 5-chloro-2-(4-[1-(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)cyclopropyl]benzoyl)amino)benzoate (55 mg, yield: 21%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 413.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.19 min  
5 (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

Part B. The product from Part A (30 mg) and 5-chloro-2-aminopyridine (14 mg) were stirred in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL) at RT under N<sub>2</sub>. Me<sub>3</sub>Al in toluene (0.45 mL, 0.23 mmol) was added 10 dropwise. The resulting solution was stirred at RT for 1h and at reflux for 2h. The solvent was evaporated after cooling. The residue was dissolved in MeOH, and purified by LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run) to give pure 5-chloro-N-(5-chloro-2-pyridinyl)-2-(4-[1-(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)cyclopropyl]benzoyl)amino)benzamide (6 mg, yield: 16%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 509.2 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.21 min  
15 (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

#### Example 87

20 **1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-methanesulfonyl-6-{4-[1-(2-oxo-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**



Part A. 1-(1-Bromomethylcyclopropyl)-4-iodobenzene (2.0 g, 5.97 mmol) and NaN<sub>3</sub> (1.0 g, 15.38 mmol, 2.6 eq) were stirred in DMF (10 mL) overnight. Analytical LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. EtOAc was added to the solution. The mixture was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated to give 1-(1-azidomethyl-cyclopropyl)-4-iodobenzene (1.43 g, yield: 80%). The azide  
30 360

(1.40 g, 4.68 mmol) and PPh<sub>3</sub> (1.84 g, 7.02 mmol, 1.5 eq) were stirred in THF (10 mL) at RT for 40 min. H<sub>2</sub>O (2 mL) was added, and the solution was stirred at 50°C for 6h. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. The mixture was 5 extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (2x). The aqueous layer was basified with 50% NaOH, extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2x), washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated to give 1-(4-iodophenyl)cyclopropyl methylamine (0.98 g, yield: 75%).

10 Part B. The product from Part A (0.36 g, 1.31 mmol) was stirred in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) at RT. NaOH (0.16 g, 3.93 mmol, 3 eq) was added, followed by the addition of 4-chlorobutyryl chloride (0.16 mL, 1.42 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at RT for 1h. It was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O 15 and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was dissolved in THF (10 mL). K-O-tBu (0.29 g, 2.62 mmol) was added as one single portion. The mixture was stirred at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub> for 1h. LC-MS showed completion of the reaction. EtOAc was added. It was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O 20 and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated to produce 1-[1-(4-iodophenyl)cyclopropylmethyl]-pyrrolidin-2-one (0.36 g, yield: 86%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 342.0 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.86 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

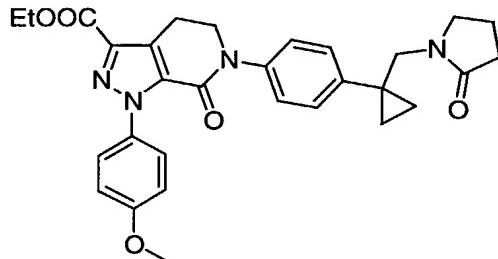
25 Part C. The product from Part B (0.18 g, 0.56 mmol) and 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (0.16 g, 0.47 mmol) were stirred in DMSO (1 mL) under N<sub>2</sub>. K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.20 g, 1.44 mmol) was added, followed by the addition of CuI (0.030 g, 20 mol%) and 1,10-phenanthroline (0.028 g, 20 mol%). The resulting mixture was heated at 120°C overnight. After cooling, it was extracted with EtOAc (2x), washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by flash column

chromatography (silica gel,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2:\text{EtOAc} = 1:1$ , then EtOAc) to give the desired compound (83 mg, yield: 25%). LC/MS (ESI $^+$ ) 535.2 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ) $^+$ ,  $t_{\text{R}} = 3.45$  min (10-90%  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in a 6-min run).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.45 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.25 (AA'BB',  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 4H), 6.91 (d,  $J = 9.2$  Hz, 2H), 4.10 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.68 (s, 2H), 3.46 (m, 2H), 3.29 (m, 3H), 3.23 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 2.25 (m, 2H), 1.86 (m, 2H), 0.86 (m, 4H) ppm.

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**Example 88**

**1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-6-{4-[1-(2-oxo-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid ethyl ester**

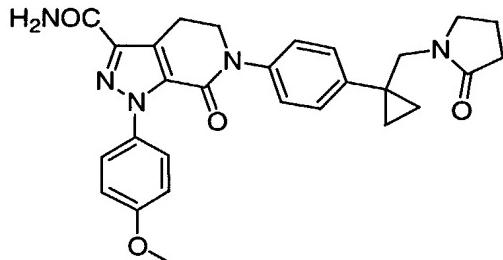


15 Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 87, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by silica gel column chromatography. LC/MS (ESI $^+$ ) 529.4 ( $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ) $^+$ ,  $t_{\text{R}} = 3.14$  min (25-90%  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in a 6-min run).

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**Example 89**

**1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-6-{4-[1-(2-oxo-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid amide**

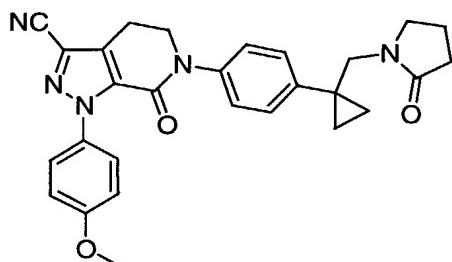


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Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 67, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 500.2 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 3.28 min  
5 (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 6-min run).

#### Example 90

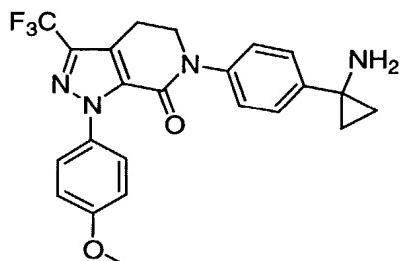
10 **1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-6-{4-[1-(2-oxo-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carbonitrile**



Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 74, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). Analytical LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 482.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.63 min (35-95% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 6-min run).  
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#### Example 91

20 **6-[4-(1-Aminocyclopropyl)phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one, trifluoroacetic acid salt**

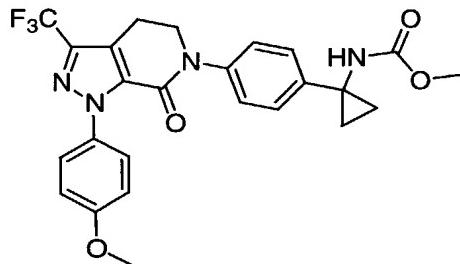


The product of Part D in Example 1 (ca. 0.50 g) was stirred in dry toluene at RT. DPPA (0.25 mL) was added, followed  
25 by the addition of Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.35 mL). The resulting mixture

was stirred at 100°C for 3h. After cooling to RT, 8N HCl (10 mL) was added. The resulting mixture was heated at 100°C overnight. The cooled mixture was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (2x). The aqueous layer was basified with 50% NaOH. The 5 mixture was extract with chloroform (2x). The organics were washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was dissolved in MeOH, and purified by prep LC/MC (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run) to give the desired product. Analytical LC/MS 10 (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 443.2 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 2.69 min (35-95% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 6-min run).

### Example 92

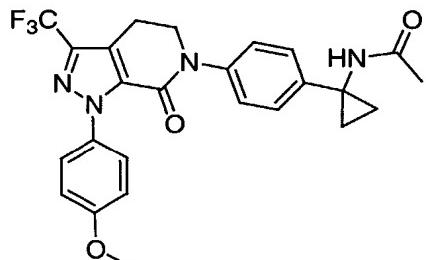
15 (1-{4-[1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl)cyclopropyl)-carbamic acid methyl ester



Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 91, the title compound was prepared 20 by using MeOH instead of conc. HCl as the solvent. Silica gel purification yielded the pure desired product. LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 501.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub> = 3.19 min (35-95% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 6-min run). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.46 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (m, 4H), 6.91 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 4.12 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.64 (s, 2H), 3.14 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.22 (m, 4H) ppm.

**Example 93**

**N-(1-{4-[1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}-cyclopropyl)-acetamide**



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Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 21, the title compound was prepared. Silica gel purification yielded the pure desired product.

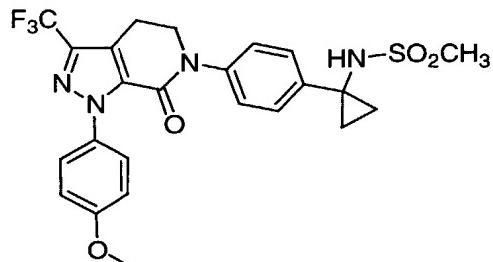
LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 485.2 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>,  $t_R$  = 3.06 min (35-95% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O

10 in a 6-min run). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.46 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (AA'BB',  $J$  = 9.1 Hz, 4H), 4.09 (m, 2H), 3.81 (m, 2H), 3.14 (t,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.57 (m, 2H), 1.40 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 94**

**N-(1-{4-[1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}-cyclopropyl)-methanesulfonamide**



20 Silica gel purification yielded the pure desired product.

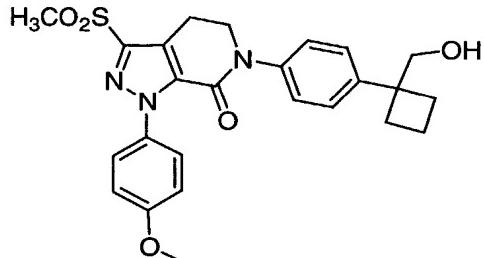
LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 521.2 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>,  $t_R$  = 3.14 min (35-95% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O

in a 6-min run). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.46 (d,  $J$  = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (AA'BB',  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 6.92 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 5.19 (s, 1H), 4.13 (t,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.16 (t,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.26 (m, 2H), 1.18 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 95**

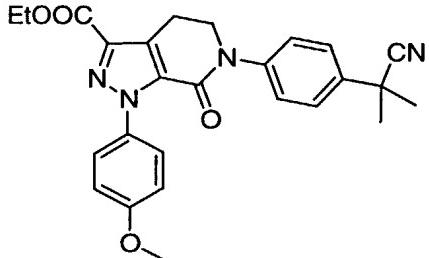
**6-[4-(1-Hydroxymethylcyclopropyl)phenyl]-3-(methanesulfonyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-5-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**



Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of product of Part C in Example 48, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (5-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 481.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t*<sub>R</sub> = 5.51 min. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.14 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (m, 4H), 3.63 (s, 2H), 3.27 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 2.02 (m, 4H), 1.81 (m, 2H) ppm.

**Example 96**

**Ethyl 6-[4-(cyano-dimethyl-methyl)phenyl]-1-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxylate**



Part A. To 4-iodobenzylbromide (25 g, 84 mmol) in boiling EtOH (100 mL) was added potassium cyanide (8.2 g, 126 mmol) through the condenser. The reaction was heated 24h, then

cooled and EtOH removed. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc and dried ( $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ) to afford crude 4-iodobenzyl nitrile. The 4-iodobenzyl nitrile was first treated with HCl gas in MeOH to afford conversion to the ester. The mixture was concentrated in vacuo and treated with MeOH (4.7 mL) and chlorotrimethylsilane (10.7 mL) at 50°C for 4h. The reaction was cooled and quenched with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (3.5 mL). Dichloromethane (150 mL) was added followed by  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  (8.9 g) and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1h. The organics were separated and dried ( $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ), filtered, and concentrated to afford 21 g crude (4-iodo-phenyl)-acetic acid methyl ester.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.66 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.04 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.56 (s, 2H) ppm.

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Part B. To a THF (100 mL) solution containing sodium hydride (9.5 g, 0.23 mol) at 0°C was added dropwise crude methyl-(4-iodo-phenyl)-acetic acid methyl ester (21 g, 79 mmol, from Part A in THF (50 mL)). After the addition was complete, methyl iodide (11.4 mL, 0.18 mol) in THF (20 mL) was added and the reaction was stirred 72h at rt. The reaction mixture was quenched with ice water followed by extraction with EtOAc. Drying with  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  afforded 27 g of a crude mixture of two products. Purification by chromatography on silica gel (10:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate) afforded 5 g pure methyl 2-(4-iodophenyl)-2-methyl proprionate and 10 g mixture of the desired ester and 2-(4-iodophenyl)-2-methylpropionitrile.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR for methyl 2-(4-iodophenyl)-2-methyl proprionate ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.65 (d,  $J = 8.5$ , 2H), 7.09 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 1.54 (s, 6H) ppm.

Part C. To 8 g of the crude mixture from Part B in THF (75 mL) and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (25 mL) was added LiOH (3 g), and the reaction

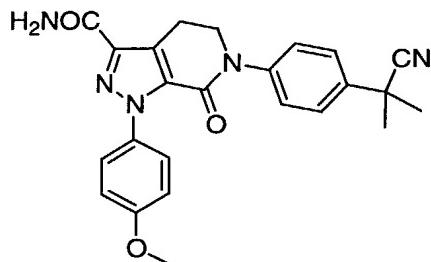
was stirred overnight. Acid/base extraction afforded 3.6 g of 2-(4-iodophenyl)2-methylpropionic acid, Mass Spec  $(M+H)^+$  290.8 and 5.3 g of 2-(4-iodophenyl)2-methylpropionitrile. IR(KBr) CN at 2236.66.

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Part D. To a DMSO (4 mL, degassed) solution of ethyl 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxylate (0.6 g, 1.9 mmol), and 2-(4-iodophenyl) 2-methylpropionitrile (0.6 g, 2.2 mmol), and 10  $K_2CO_3$  (0.66 g, 4.8 mmol) and was added CuI (73 mg, 0.3 mmol). The reaction was heated to 130°C for 18h. The reaction was cooled, extracted with EtOAc, washed with  $H_2O$ , and dried ( $MgSO_4$ ). Purification by chromatography on silica gel (1:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate) afforded the title 15 compound 0.4 g (45.9%) of a pale yellow solid; Mass Spec  $(M+H)^+$  459.3.

#### Example 97

**6-[4-(1-cyano-1-methylethyl)phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide**



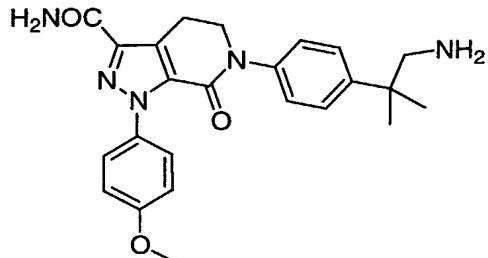
Ethyl 6-[4-(cyano-dimethyl-methyl)phenyl]-1-(4-methoxy-25 phenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxylate (0.38 g, 0.83 mmol) obtained in Example 96 was placed in a sealed tube containing 10% ammonia in ethylene glycol (3 mL) and heated 80°C for 2h. The reaction was cooled, quenched with  $H_2O$ , extracted with 30 EtOAc, and dried ( $MgSO_4$ ). Recrystallization from

$\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ /Hexanes afforded 0.31g (88%) of the title amide.

High Resolution Mass Spec ( $\text{M}+\text{H})^+$  for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_5\text{O}_3$  430.1898.

### Example 98

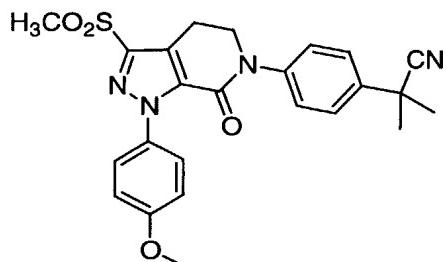
5       **6-[4-(2-Amino-1,1-dimethylethyl)phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide**



10      6-[4-(1-Cyano-1-methylethyl)phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide (0.1 g) was hydrogenated at 40psi in EtOH/HCl with 20 mg 10%Pd/C and purified by HPLC to afford 70 mg (56%) of title amine. High Resolution Mass Spec ( $\text{M}+\text{H})^+$  for  
15       $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_5\text{O}_3$  434.2176.

### Example 99

1-[(4-[(1-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-7-oxo-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridinyl-6-yl]phenyl)-2-methylpropanenitrile

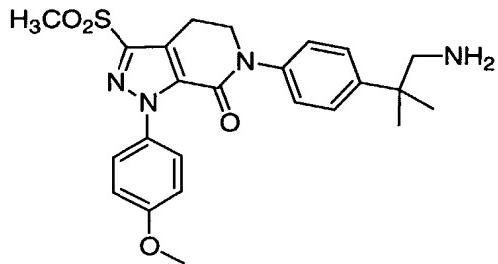


To a degassed DMSO (4 mL) solution containing 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-methylsulfonyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (0.6 g, 1.8 mmol) and 2-(4-iodophenyl)2-methylpropionitrile (0.6 g, 2.2 mmol) was

added  $K_2CO_3$  (0.64 g, 4.6 mmol) and CuI (71 mg, 0.3 mmol). The reaction was heated to 130°C for 18h. The reaction was cooled, extracted with EtOAc, washed with  $H_2O$ , and dried ( $MgSO_4$ ). Purification by chromatography on silica gel (1:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate) afforded 0.52 g (61%) of a pale yellow foam; High Resolution Mass Spec ( $M+H$ )<sup>+</sup> for  $C_{24}H_{25}N_4O_4S$  456.1624.

#### **Example 100**

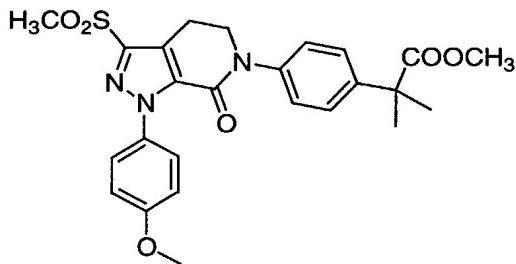
10     **6-[4-(2-amino-1,1-dimethyl)phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one**



15     1-{1-[(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-7-oxo-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridinyl-6-yl]phenyl}-2-methylpropanenitrile (0.1 g) was hydrogenated at 40psi in EtOH/HCl with 20 mg 10%Pd/C and purified by HPLC to afford 85 mg (68%) of the title amine. High Resolution Mass Spec  
20     ( $M+H$ )<sup>+</sup> for  $C_{24}H_{28}N_4O_4S$  469.1907.

#### **Example 101**

Preparation of 2-{4-[3-methanesulfonyl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-1,4,5,7-tetrahydropyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}-2-methylproprionic acid methyl ester

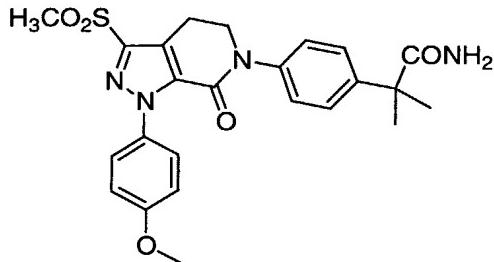


- To a degassed DMSO (4 mL) solution was added ethyl 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxylate (0.4 g, 1.2 mmol) and methyl 2-(4-iodophenyl)2-methyl proprionate (0.53 g, 1.7 mmol) was added K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.43 g, 3.1 mmol) and CuI (47 mg, 0.25 mmol). The reaction was heated to 130°C for 18h, cooled, extracted with EtOAc, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>).
- 10 Purification by chromatography on silica gel (1:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate) afforded the titled compound 0.43 g (45.9%) of a pale yellow foam. High Resolution Mass Spec (M+H)<sup>+</sup> for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>6</sub>S 498.1691.

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**Example 102**

**2-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-7-oxo-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}-2-methylpropamide**



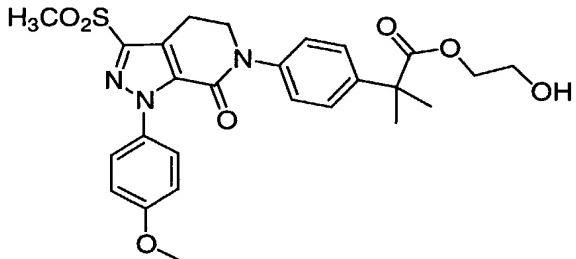
- 20 2-{4-[3-Methanesulfonyl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-1,4,5,7-tetrahydropyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}-2-methylproprionic acid methyl ester (0.095 g, 0.19 mmol) was placed in a sealed tube containing 10% ammonia in ethylene glycol (3 mL) and heated 80°C for 18h. The reaction was 25 cooled, quenched with H<sub>2</sub>O, extracted with EtOAc, and dried

(MgSO<sub>4</sub>). Purification by HPLC afforded 35 mg (36%) title compound; High Resolution Mass Spec (M+H)<sup>+</sup> for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>27</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>5</sub>S 483.1725.

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**Example 103**

**2-Hydroxyethyl-2-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methlysulfonyl)-7-oxo-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}-2-methylpropanoate**



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2-{4-[3-Methanesulfonyl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-1,4,5,7-tetrahydropyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}-2-methylpropionic acid methyl ester (0.077 g, 0.15 mmol) was placed in a sealed tube containing 10% ammonia in ethylene glycol (3 mL) and heated 80°C for 2h. The reaction was cooled, quenched with H<sub>2</sub>O, extracted with EtOAc, and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). Purification by chromatography on silica (1:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate) and then HPLC purification afforded 27 mg (33%) title compound. High Resolution Mass Spec (M+H)<sup>+</sup> for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>30</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>7</sub>S 528.1776.

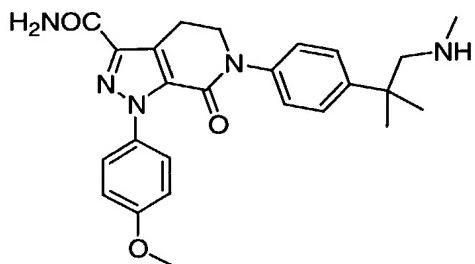
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**Example 104**

**6-{4-[1,1-dimethyl-2-(methylamino)ethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide**

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Part A. To ethyl 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carboxylate (2.35 g, 7.5 mmol) and 2-(4-iodophenyl)2-methylpropionic acid (2.6 g, 8.9 mmol) was added  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  (3.1 g, 0.022 mol), DMSO (4 mL), and CuI (0.28 mg, 1.4 mmol). The reaction was heated to 130°C for 18h cooled, extracted with EtOAc, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, and dried ( $\text{MgSO}_4$ ). Purification by chromatography on silica gel (5%MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) afforded 1.1 g product.

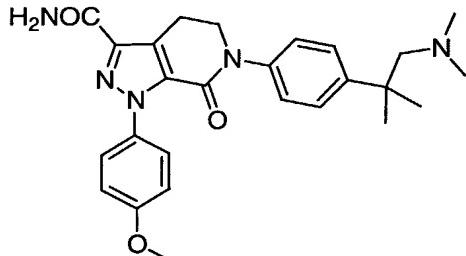
Part B. To the acid from Part A (1 g, 2 mmol) in THF (30 mL) at 0°C was added 1M Borane in THF (2.5 mL, 2.5 mmol) and the reaction was allowed to stir 18h. The reaction was extracted with EtOAc, washed with brine, and dried ( $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ) to afford crude alcohol. To the alcohol was added CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (100 mL), molecular sieves, sodium acetate (0.17 g, 2 mmol), and pyridinium chlorochromate (0.72 g, 3.3 mmol) and the reaction was stirred 24h. After dilution with Et<sub>2</sub>O, filtration through paper, and concentration, the crude residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel (2:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to afford 0.527 g of the desired aldehyde. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  9.46 (s, 1H), 7.48 (d,  $J$  = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d,  $J$  = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 6.92 (d,  $J$  = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 4.49 (q,  $J$  = 7 Hz, 2H), 4.13 (t,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.35 (t,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.45 (t,  $J$  = 7.3 Hz, 3H) ppm.

Part C. To the aldehyde from Part B (95 mg, 0.2 mmol) in 1:1 THF/MeOH (5 mL) was added excess 33% methylamine in EtOH (0.1 mL). After 15 min 0.5M ZnCl<sub>2</sub> in THF (0.2 mL, 0.1 mmol) followed by sodium cyanoborohydride (13 mg, 0.2 mmol) were added. The reaction was stirred 24h. The solvents were removed and the residue was partitioned between EtOAc and H<sub>2</sub>O. Extraction with EtOAc and drying (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) afforded crude ester/amine.

Part D. The ester/amine from Part C was heated in a sealed tube containing 2 mL of 10% NH<sub>3</sub>/ethylene glycol at 80°C for 2h. After cooling the product was extracted by EtOAc, washed with water and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). Purification by HPLC and freeze-drying afforded the titled compound 78 mg (69%) as a white solid. High Resolution Mass Spec (M+H)<sup>+</sup> for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>30</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 448.2337.

#### **Example 105**

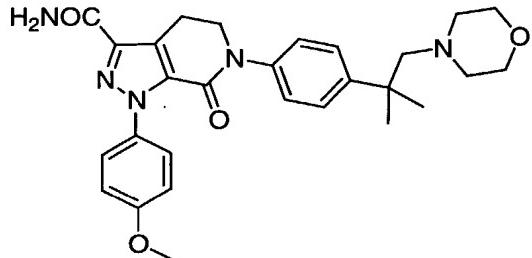
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Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec (M+H)<sup>+</sup> for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 462.2529.

#### **Example 106**

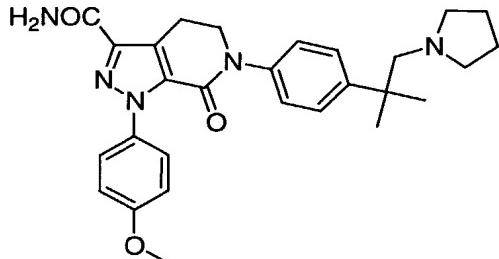
**6-{4-[1,1-dimethyl-2-(1-morpholinyl)ethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide**



5 Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec (M+H)<sup>+</sup> for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 504.2637.

**Example 107**

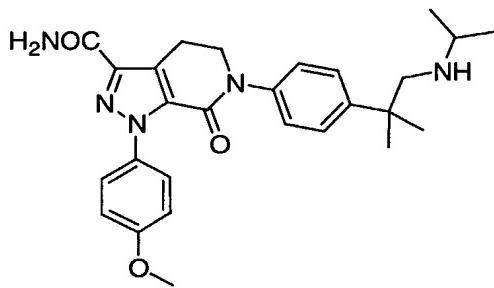
10 **6-{4-[1,1-dimethyl-2-(1-pyrrolidinyl)ethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide**



15 Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec (M+H)<sup>+</sup> for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 488.2667.

**Example 108**

20 **6-{4-[2-(isopropylamino)1,1-dimethylethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide**

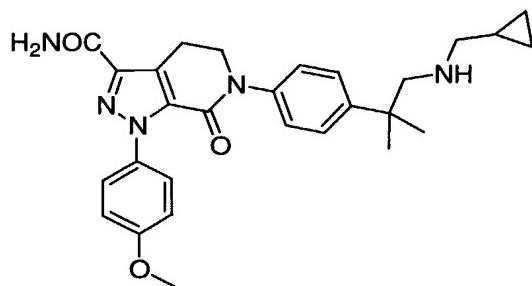


Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec  $(M+H)^+$  for  $C_{27}H_{34}N_5O_3$  476.2666.

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**Example 109**

**6-(4-{2-[cyclopropylmethyl]amino}-1,1-dimethylethyl)phenyl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide**



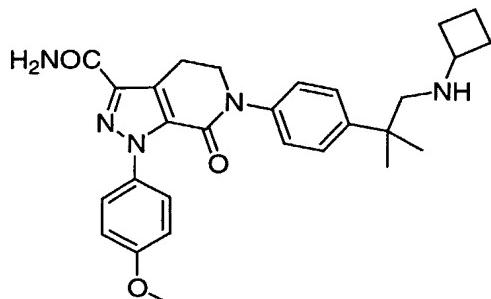
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Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec  $(M+H)^+$  for  $C_{28}H_{33}N_5O_3$  488.2670.

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**Example 110**

**6-(4-{2-(cyclobutylamino)1,1-dimethylethyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide**

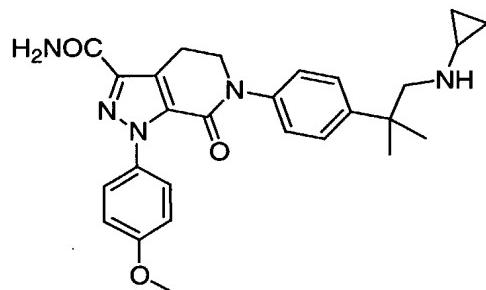


Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec  $(M+H)^+$  for  $C_{28}H_{34}N_5O_3$  488.2668.

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**Example 111**

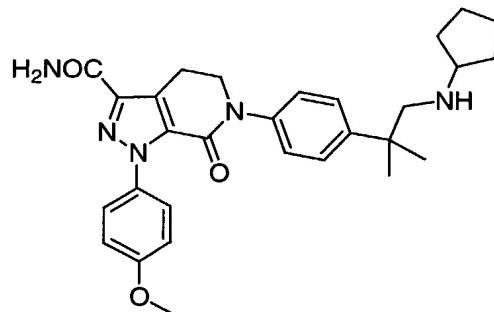
**6-{4-[2-(cyclopropylamino)1,1-dimethylethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carboxamide**



10 Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec  $(M+H)^+$  for  $C_{27}H_{32}N_5O_3$  474.2513

**Example 112**

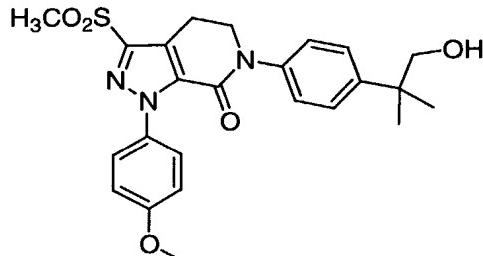
15 **6-{4-[2-(cyclopentylamino)1,1-dimethylethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carboxamide**



Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 20 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec  $(M+H)^+$  for  $C_{29}H_{36}N_5O_3$  502.2814.

**Example 113**

**6-[4-(2-hydroxy-1,1-dimethylethyl)phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**



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Part A. To crude 2-{4-[3-methanesulfonyl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-1,4,5,7-tetrahydropyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}-2-methylproprionic acid methyl ester (2 g, 0.4 mmol) was added LiOH (0.5 g, 12 mmol) in THF/MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O for 24h. The reaction was acidified with 1N HCl and extracted with EtOAc and concentrated to afford crude acid as a semi solid mass.

Part B. The crude acid from Part A was then reduced with 1M borane in THF (7.3 mL, 7.3 mmol) in THF (25 mL) over 24h. The reaction was quenched with water and extracted with EtOAc and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) to afford the corresponding alcohol.

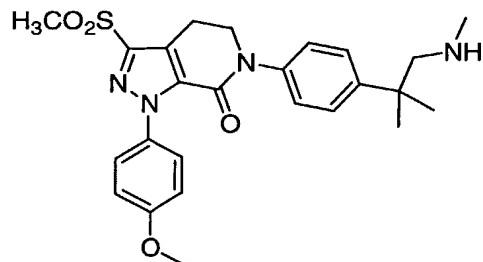
Part C. The crude alcohol from Part B (2.3 g, 4.9 mmol) was oxidized with pyridinium chlorochromate (1.7 g, 7.8 mmol), sodium acetate (0.4 g, 4.9 mmol), and molecular sieves in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> for 24h. Dilution with diethyl ether and filtration followed by chromatography on silica gel (1:1 hexanes/EtOAc) afforded 0.6 g (27%) of aldehyde; <sup>1</sup>H NMR CDCl<sub>3</sub> δ 9.46 (s, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (m, 4H), 6.94 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.15 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.36 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.31 (s, 3H), 1.44 (s, 6H) ppm.

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Part D. To the aldehyde from Part C (34 mg, 0.072 mmol) was added 2-aminoimidazole sulfate (19 mg, 0.144 mmol) in 1:1 THF/MeOH (5 mL) followed by 0.5M ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (0.05 mL, 0.027 mmol) and 1M sodium cyanoborohydride in THF (0.07 mL, 0.07 mmol) and the reaction was stirred 24h. The reaction was quenched with water, extracted with EtOAc, and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). Purification by HPLC and freeze-drying afforded 12 mg (35%) of the desired alcohol: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.48 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 4.15 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.61 (s, 2H), 3.34 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.31 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 6H) ppm.

#### Example 114

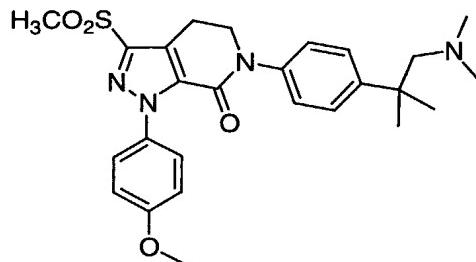
15       **6-{4-[1,1-dimethyl-2-(methylamino)ethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one**



Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 20 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec (M+H)<sup>+</sup> for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S 483.2049.

#### Example 115

25       **6-{4-[2-(dimethylamino) 1,1-dimethylethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one**

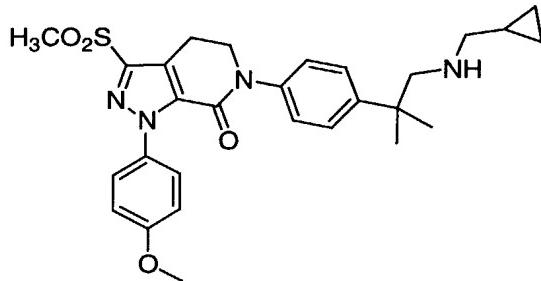


Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec  $(M+H)^+$  for  $C_{26}H_{33}N_4O_4S$  497.2201.

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#### Example 116

**6-(4-{2-[(cyclopropylmethyl)amino]-1,1-dimethylethyl}phenyl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**



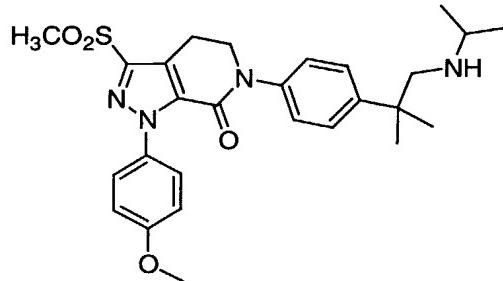
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Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec  $(M+H)^+$  for  $C_{28}H_{35}N_4O_4S$  523.2362.

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#### Example 117

**6-{4-[1,1-dimethyl-2-(isopropylamino)ethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**

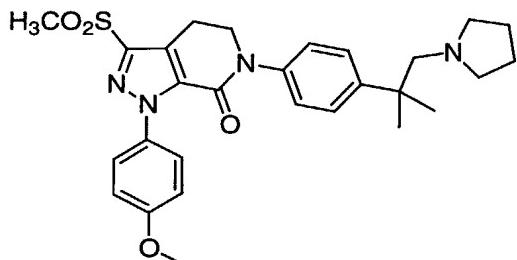


Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec  $(M+H)^+$  for  $C_{27}H_{35}N_4O_4S$  511.2379.

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**Example 118**

**6-{4-[1,1-dimethyl-2-(1-pyrrolidinyl)ethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c] pyridin-7-one**

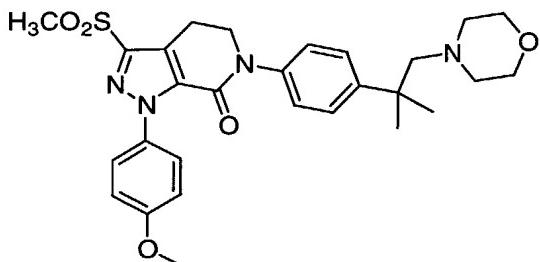


10 Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec  $(M+H)^+$  for  $C_{28}H_{35}N_4O_4S$  523.2388.

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**Example 119**

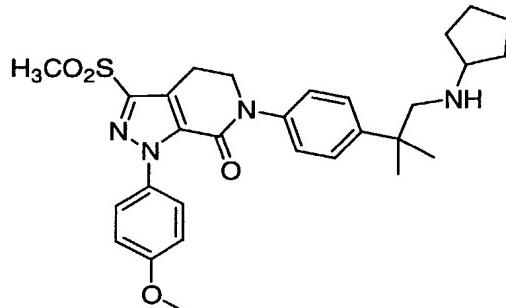
**6-{4-[1,1-dimethyl-2-(1-morpholinyl)ethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**



20 Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec  $(M+H)^+$  for  $C_{28}H_{35}N_4O_5S$  539.2342.

**Example 120**

**6-{4-[2-(cyclopentylamino) 1,1-dimethylethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**



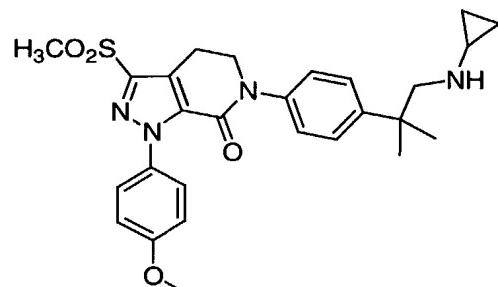
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Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec ( $M+H$ )<sup>+</sup> for  $C_{29}H_{37}N_4O_4S$  537.2539.

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**Example 121**

**6-{4-[2-{(cyclopropylamino) 1,1-dimethylethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**



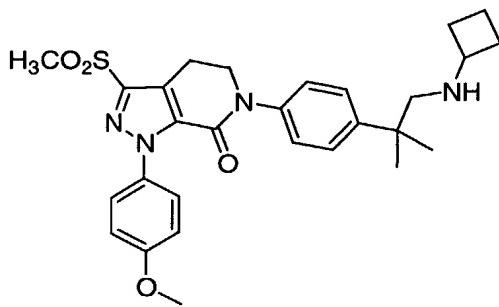
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Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec ( $M+H$ )<sup>+</sup> for  $C_{27}H_{33}N_4O_4S$  509.2227.

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**Example 122**

**6-{4-[2-(cyclobutylamino) 1,1-dimethylethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**

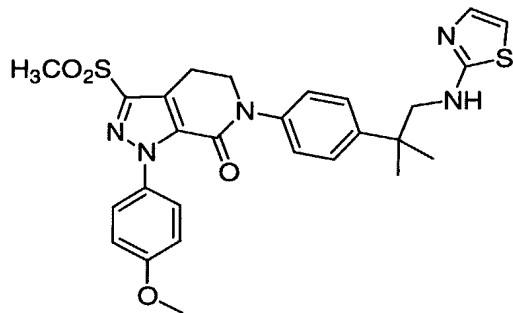


Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 104, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec ( $M+H$ )<sup>+</sup> for  $C_{28}H_{35}N_4O_4S$  523.238.

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#### **Example 123**

**6-{4-[1,1-dimethyl-2-(1,3-thiazol-2-yl amino)ethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**

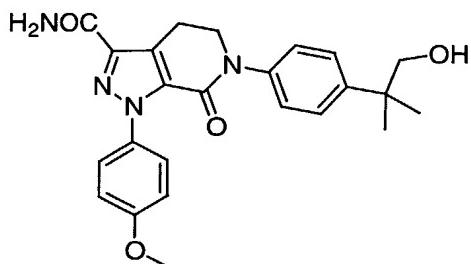


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Prepared as previously described above. High Resolution Mass Spec ( $M+H$ )<sup>+</sup> for  $C_{27}H_{30}N_5O_4S_2$  552.1727.

#### **Example 124**

15           **6-{4-(2-hydroxy-1,1-dimethylethyl)phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxamide**

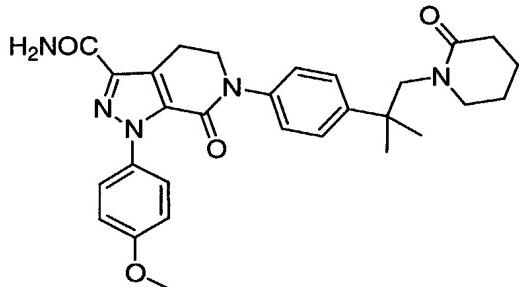


Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 113, the title compound was prepared. High Resolution Mass Spec  $(M+H)^+$  for  $C_{24}H_{27}N_4O_4$  435.2016.

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**Example 125**

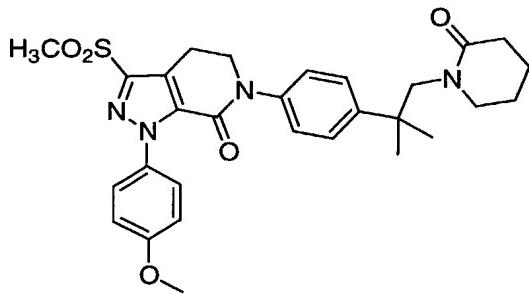
**6-{4-[1,1-dimethyl-2-(2-oxo-1-piperidinyl)ethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carboxamide**



10 To 6-[4-(1-cyano-1-methylethyl)phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridine-3-carboxamide (0.17 g, 0.39 mmol) was hydrogenated at 40psi in ethanol with 0.5 mL conc. HCl and 10% palladium on carbon (25 mg) for 72h. The reaction was 15 filtered and concentrated. To the amine in THF (5 mL) at 0°C was added 5-bromoalanyl chloride (99 mg, 0.5 mmol) and TEA (1 mL) and the reaction was stirred 1h. To the reaction was added potassium *t*-butoxide (0.24 g, 1.9 mmol) and the reaction was stirred 24h. The reaction was 20 quenched with water and extracted with ethyl acetate and dried ( $MgSO_4$ ). Purification by HPLC and freeze-drying afforded 15 mg (7.5%). Mass Spec  $(M+H)^+$  516.3.

**Example 126**

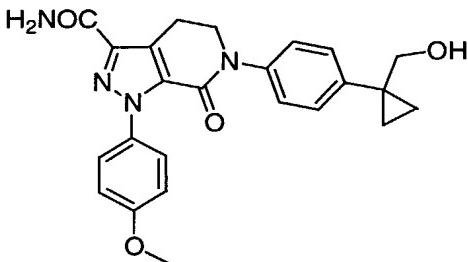
25 **6-{4-[1,1-dimethyl-2-(2-oxo-1-piperidinyl)ethyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one**



1-{4-[4-(1-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(methylsulfonyl)-7-oxo-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-6H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridinyl-6-yl]phenyl}-2-methylpropanenitrile was converted into the  
5 target compound by the same procedure as that of Example 125. Mass Spec (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 551.3.

#### Example 127

10 6-[4-(1-Hydroxymethylcyclopropyl)phenyl]-1-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid amide

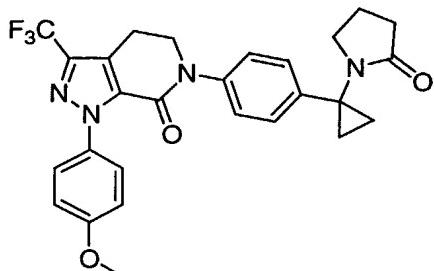


Following a procedure analogous to that used in Example 95,  
the title compound was prepared. LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 433.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>.

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#### Example 128

1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(2-oxo-pyrrolidin-1-yl)-cyclopropyl]phenyl}-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one



20

Part A. 4-Iodophenylcyclopropyl carboxylic acid (7.42 g, 25.76 mmol) was stirred in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (60 mL) at rt under N<sub>2</sub>. Et<sub>3</sub>N (5.4 mL, 38.64 mmol, 1.5 eq) was added followed by the addition of DPPA (8.27 mL, 38.64 mmol, 1.5 eq). The resulting mixture was stirred at rt overnight. It was poured into ice H<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL), acidified with 6N HCl, and then extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The oil residue obtained was dissolved in t-BuOH (40 mL) and refluxed for 2-3 h. After cooling, the solvent was evaporated. The residue was purified by FCC (silica gel, hexane: CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>=1:1, then CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, then CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:MeOH=100:1 to 25:1) to give pure [1-(4-iodophenyl)-cyclopropyl]-carbamic acid *tert*-butyl ester (6.01 g, yield: 65%). This compound (2.12 g, 5.89 mmol) was stirred in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) and TFA (10 mL) at rt for 2h. After evaluation, the residue was taken up in CHCl<sub>3</sub> (100 mL) and H<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL). The aqueous layer was basified with K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub> (2 x), dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to give pure 1-(4-iodophenyl)cyclopropylamine (1.50 g, yield: 98%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.06 (m, 2H), 1.88 (m, 2H), 1.07 (m, 2H), 0.95 (m, 2H) ppm. HRMS C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>11</sub>IN (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 259.9930 calcd for 259.9936.

Part B. The mixture of the product from Part A (0.32 g, 1.24 mmol), NaOH (0.15 g, 3.72 mmol, 3.0 eq), and 4-chlorobutyryl chloride (0.18 mL, 1.61 mmol, 1.3 eq) was stirred in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (7 mL) at rt for 1 h under N<sub>2</sub>. H<sub>2</sub>O was added. It was extracted with EtOAc (2x), washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was dissolved in THF (10 mL). KOtBu (0.40 g, 4.16 mmol) was added as one portion. The mixture was

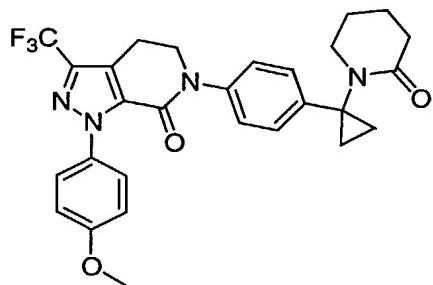
stirred at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub> for 30 min. EtOAc was added. It was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated to produce 1-[1-(4-iodophenyl)cyclopropyl]-pyrrolidin-2-one (0.27 g, yield: 100%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.68 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 2H), 3.26 (t, J=7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.26 (t, J=7.6 Hz, 2H) 1.88 (t, J=7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.22 (m, 2H), 1.10 (m, 2H) ppm.

Part C. The product from Part B (64 mg, 0.196 mmol) and 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (0.061 g, 0.196 mmol) were stirred in DMSO (0.3 mL) under N<sub>2</sub>. K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.067 g, 0.49 mmol, 2.5 eq) was added, followed by the addition of CuI (0.037 g, 0.194 mmol) and 1,10-phenanthroline (0.020 g, 0.108 mmol). The resulting mixture was heated at 120°C for 3h. After cooling, it was extracted with EtOAc (2x), washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by FCC (silica gel, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:EtOAc=1:1, then EtOAc) to give 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(2-oxo-pyrrolidin-1-yl)-cyclopropyl]phenyl}-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (45 mg, yield: 45%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.46 (d, J=8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (AA'BB', J=8.6 Hz, 4H), 6.91 (d, J=9.2 Hz, 2H), 4.10 (t, J=6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.38 (t, J=7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.14 (t, J=6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (t, J=7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.98 (q, J=7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.32 (m, 2H), 1.21 (m, 2H) ppm. HRMS C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>26</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 511.1931 calcd for 511.1958.

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**Example 129**

**1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-6-{4-[1-(2-oxo-piperidin-1-yl)-cyclopropyl]phenyl}-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**

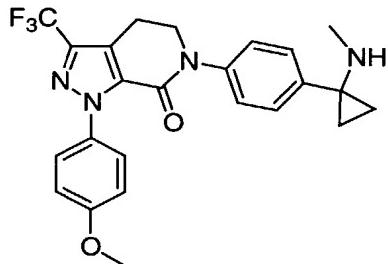


Following the procedures analogous to those used in Example 128, the title compound was prepared. The product was purified by RP-prep LC-MS (35-98% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 10-min run). HRMS C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>2</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> (M+H)<sup>+</sup> 525.2486 calcd for 525.2477. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.46 (d, J=8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (d, J=9.2 Hz, 2H), 4.10 (t, J=6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.37 (t, J=6 Hz, 2H), 3.15 (t, J=6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.51 (t, J=6 Hz, 2H), 1.79 (m, 4H), 1.33 (m, 2H), 1.29 (m, 2H) ppm.

### Example 130

**1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-6-[4-(1-methylaminocyclopropyl)-phenyl]-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**

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Part A. 1-(4-Iodophenyl)cyclopropyl-carbamic acid *tert*-butyl ester (2.14 g, 5.85 mmol) was stirred in THF (20 mL) at 0°C under N<sub>2</sub>. MeI (3 mL) was added followed by portionwise addition of NaH (2.34 g, 5 eq). The reaction was stirred at rt overnight. Several drops of H<sub>2</sub>O and EtOAc (20 mL) were added to quench the reaction. The organic solvent was evaporated, and H<sub>2</sub>O was added. It was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (2x), washed with brine, dried over

MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by FCC (silica gel, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:hexanes=0:1 to 1:1 to 1:0) to give pure [1-(4-iodophenyl)cyclopropyl]-methyl-carbamic acid *tert*-butyl ester as a white solid (2.07 g, 5 yield 95%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 373.8 (M+H), t<sub>R</sub>=2.95 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

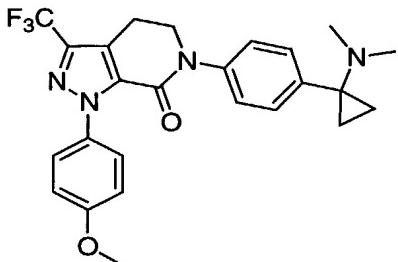
Part B. The product from Part A (205 mg, 0.55 mmol) and 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-10 7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one (170 mg, 0.55 mmol) were stirred in DMSO (0.4 mL) under N<sub>2</sub>. K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (250 mg, 1.81 mmol, 3.3 eq) was added, followed by the addition of CuI (52 mg, 0.27 mmol, 0.5 eq) and 1,10-phenanthroline (50 mg, 0.27 mmol, 0.5 eq). The resulting mixture was heated at 15 120°C for 2h. After cooling, it was extracted with EtOAc (2x), washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:EtOAc=1:1, then EtOAc) to give (1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-20 trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclopropyl)-methyl-carbamic acid *tert*-butyl ester (250 mg, yield: 82%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.46 (d, J=9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (m, 2H), 6.91 (d, J=9.1 Hz, 2H), 4.12 (t, J=6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.15 (t, J=6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.90 (s, br, 3H), 1.42 (s, br, 9H), 1.33 (m, 2H), 1.20 (m, 2H) ppm. LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 557.4.

Part C. The product from Part B (250 mg, 0.45 mmol) was stirred in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 mL) and TFA (2 mL) at rt for 20 min. 30 The solvents were evaporated. The residue was purified by FCC (silica gel, EtOAc, then EtOAc: MeOH=10:1) to yield the title compound (188 mg, 92%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.55 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, J=9.2 Hz, 4H), 7.36 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (d, J=8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.15 (t, J=6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.80

(s, 3H), 3.17 (t,  $J=6.6$  Hz, 2H), 2.50 (s, 3H), 1.56 (m, 2H), 1.12 (m, 2H) ppm. LC/MS (ESI $^+$ ) 457.4.

### Example 131

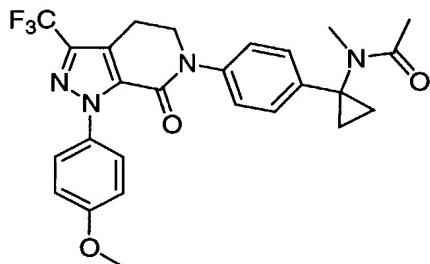
5 **6-[4-(1-Dimethylaminocyclopropyl)phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**



The product from Example 130 (30 mg, 0.066 mmol) was  
10 stirred in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (0.2 mL) at rt under N<sub>2</sub>. Aqueous formaldehyde (0.07 mL, 7 mmol, 10 eq) was added followed by the addition of HOAc (0.012 mL, 0.21 mmol, 3.2 eq). The mixture was stirred for 15 min, and then NaBH<sub>3</sub>CN (12 mg, 0.198 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred at rt for  
15 2h. Several drops of acetone were added followed by 1N NaOH. The mixture was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by FCC (silica gel, EtOAc, than EtOAc: MeOH=10:1) to yield the title compound  
20 (15.7 mg, 51%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.46 (d,  $J=8.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.29 (m, 4H), 6.92 (d,  $J=9.2$  Hz, 2H), 4.15 (t,  $J=6.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.16 (t,  $J=6.6$  Hz, 2H), 2.28 (s, 6H), 1.02 (m, 2H), 0.81 (m, 2H) ppm. LC/MS (ESI $^+$ ) 471.4.

### Example 132

**N-(1-{4-[1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}-cyclopropyl)-N-methyl-acetamide**



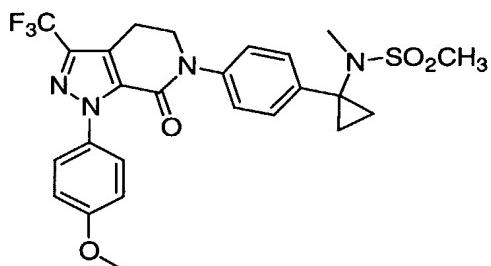
Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 93, the title compound was prepared. Silica gel purification yielded the title compound. LC/MS

5 (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 499.4 (M+H). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.46 (d, *J*=9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (m, 2H), 6.93 (AA'BB', *J*=8.8, 7.0 Hz, 4H), 4.12 (t, *J*=6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.16 (t, *J*=6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.01 (s, 3H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 1.50 (m, 4H) ppm.

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**Example 133**

**N-(1-{4-[1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}-cyclopropyl)-N-methyl-methanesulfonamide**

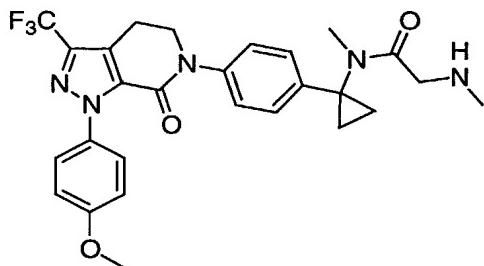


15 Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 94, the title compound was prepared. Silica gel purification yielded the pure desired product. LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 535.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>.

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**Example 134**

**N-(1-{4-[1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}-cyclopropyl)-N-methyl-2-methylaminoacetamide**

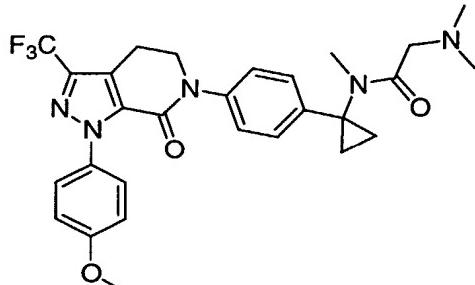


Part A. The product of Example 130 (45 mg, 0.1 mmol) was stirred in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL) at rt. NaOH (12 mg, 3.0 eq) was added followed by the addition of chloroacetyl chloride 5 (0.015 mL, 2.0 eq). The mixture was stirred at rt for 3h. Additional NaOH (20 mg) and chloroacetyl chloride (0.020 mL) were added. The mixture was stirred at rt overnight. The mixture was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2x), washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to 10 dryness. The residue was used directly in the next step without further purification. LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 533.6 (M+H), t<sub>R</sub>=2.63 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

Part B. The product from part A (15 mg, 0.028 mmol) was 15 stirred in DMF (0.1 mL) in a Pyrex tube under N<sub>2</sub>. K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (20 mg) was added, followed by the addition of a solution of NHMe<sub>2</sub> in THF (2M, 0.1 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at 80°C overnight. H<sub>2</sub>O was added, and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc, washed with brine, dried over 20 MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. The residue was purified by FCC (silica gel, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, then CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:EtOAc, then EtOAc:MeOH=10:1) to give the title compound (5.0 mg, yield: 33%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.46 (d, J=8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (m, 4H), 6.92 (d, J=9.2 Hz, 2H), 4.15 (t, J=6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.16 (t, J=6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.28 (s, 6H), 1.02 (m, 2H), 0.81 (m, 2H) ppm. LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 528.6 (M+H), t<sub>R</sub>=2.07 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

**Example 135**

**2-Dimethylamino-N-(1-{4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}cyclopropyl)-N-methylacetamide**

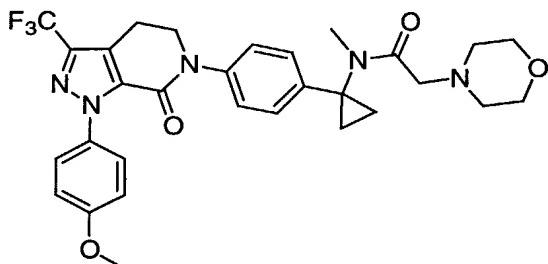


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Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 134, the title compound was prepared. Silica gel purification yielded the pure desired product. LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 542.6 (M+H),  $t_R=2.10$  min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN in H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

**Example 136**

**N-(1-{4-[1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-7-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]phenyl}-cyclopropyl)-N-methyl-2-morpholin-4-yl-acetamide**

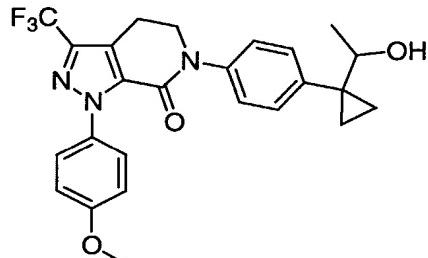


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Following a procedure analogous to that used for the preparation of Example 134, the title compound was prepared. Silica gel purification yielded the pure desired product. LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 584.2 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>,  $t_R=2.05$  min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

**Example 137**

**6-{4-[1-(1-Hydroxyethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**

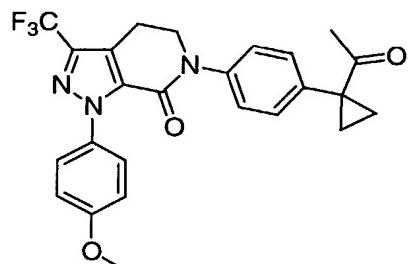


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1-{4-[1-(4-Methoxy-phenyl)-7-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]-phenyl}-cyclopropanecarbaldehyde (93 mg, 0.21 mmol) was stirred in Et<sub>2</sub>O (2 mL) at -78°C. ZnMe<sub>2</sub> (2M in toluene, 0.16 mL, 1.5 eq) was added followed by the addition of TiCl<sub>4</sub> (1 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 0.3 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred for 1h. The reaction was quenched by addition of NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, extracted with EtOAc, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filter, and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel column to yield the pure desired product (62 mg, yield: 64.5%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 472.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t*<sub>R</sub>=2.44 min (35-95% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 6-min run).

**Example 138**

20      **6-[4-(1-Acetyl-cyclopropyl)phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**

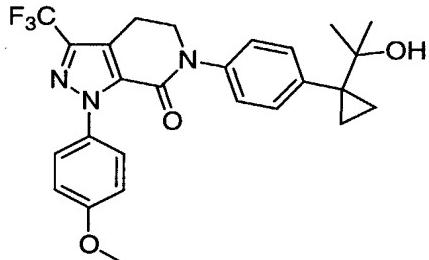


The product from Example 137 (30 mg, 0.063 mmol) was stirred in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL) at rt under N<sub>2</sub>. 4Å molecular sieves

(30 mg) and NaOAc (15.4 mg, 0.187 mmol) were added followed by the addition of PCC (27.5 mg, 0.126 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 1.5 h. The mixture was filtered through Celite®, rinsed with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, washed with 5 H<sub>2</sub>O, brine, concentrated to dryness. Silica gel purification afforded the title compound. LC/MS(ESI<sup>+</sup>) 470.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub>=2.77 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.47 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (AA'BB', J=8.8 Hz, 4H), 6.93 (dd, J=8.8, 2.3 Hz, 2H), 4.16 (t, J=6.6 Hz, 10 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.29 (t, J=6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.77 (s, 6H), 1.67 (m, 2H), 1.15 (m, 2H) ppm.

### Example 139

15 **6-{4-[1-(1-Hydroxy-1-methyl-ethyl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**



Part A. 1-(4-Iodo-phenyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid methyl ester (0.96 g, 3.17 mmol) was stirred in THF (15 mL) 20 at -78°C under N<sub>2</sub>. MeMgCl (3.0 M in THF, 4.2 mL, 4.0 eq) was added dropwise, and the reaction was stirred for 1 h during which period the temperature was raised from -78°C to 0°C. It was quenched by the addition of sat'd NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, and extracted with EtOAc (2 x). The organics were washed 25 with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by FCC (silica gel, hexanes, then hexanes:CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>=1:1 to 0:1) to give 2-[1-(4-iodo-phenyl)-cyclopropyl]-propan-2-ol (0.71 g,

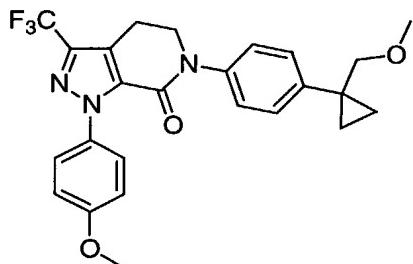
yield: 73.9%). LC/MS(ESI<sup>+</sup>) 303.4 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>,  $t_R=2.57$  min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

Part B. The product from Part A (102 mg, 0.33 mmol) and  
 5 (105 mg, 0.34 mmol) were stirred in dry DMSO (0.5 mL). K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (90.5 mg, 2.0 eq) was added followed by the addition of CuI (32 mg, 0.17 mmol) and 1,10-phenanthroline (31 mg, 0.17 mmol). The resulting mixture was heated at 120°C for 3h. After cooling, it was extracted with EtOAc (2x),  
 10 washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by FCC (silica gel, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>:EtOAc=1:1, then EtOAc) to give the title compound (95 mg, yield: 59.4%). LC/MS(ESI<sup>+</sup>) 486.8 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>,  $t_R=3.03$  min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run).

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#### Example 140

**6-[4-(1-Methoxymethylcyclopropyl)phenyl]-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one**



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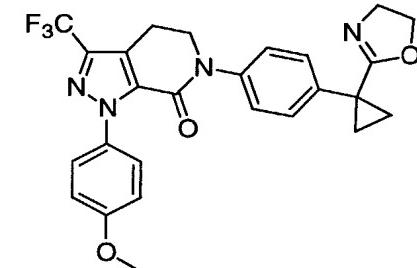
Part A. [1-(4-Iodo-phenyl)-cyclopropyl]-methanol (0.25 g, 0.94 mmol) was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.5 mL). Proton sponge (0.21 g, 0.97 mmol) was added followed by trimethoxyloxonium tetrafluoroborate (0.15 g, 1.0 mmol).

25 The reaction was allowed to stir for 3 h and was then quenched with H<sub>2</sub>O, concentrated, and purified via flash chromatography (silica, 100% EtOAc) to afford the title compound (0.13 g, yield: 47%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.64 (d,  $J=8.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d,  $J=8.2$  Hz, 2H), 3.65 (d,  $J=6.2$  Hz, 2H), 1.57 (s, 3H), 0.86 (s, 4H) ppm.

Part B. The product from Part A and 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one were coupled using the usual Buchwald Ullman procedure. LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 472.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, *t*<sub>R</sub>=2.98 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run). <sup>1</sup>H NMR ((CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CO, 300 MHz) δ 7.49 (d, *J*=9.1 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (AA'BB', *J*=8.8 Hz, 4H), 6.96 (dd, *J*=9.2 Hz, 2H), 4.15 (t, *J*=6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.44 (s, 2H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 3.16 (t, *J*=6.3 Hz, 2H), 10 0.84 (d, *J*=2.2 Hz, 2H), 0.81 (d, *J*=2.5 Hz, 2H) ppm.

#### Example 141

**6-{4-[1-(4,5-Dihydro-oxazol-2-yl)cyclopropyl]phenyl}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-*c*]pyridin-7-one**



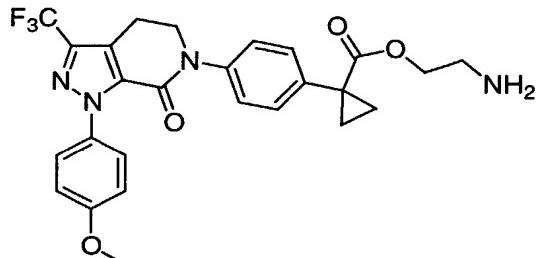
Part A. To a slurry of 1-(4-iodo-phenyl)-cyclopropane-carboxylic acid (0.693 g, 2.41 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3.0 mL) at 0°C was added (COCl)<sub>2</sub> (0.40 mL, 4.6 mmol) dropwise. The reaction was warmed to rt and stirred under N<sub>2</sub> for 1 h. The reaction was monitored by LC/MS. Upon completion the reaction was concentrated on the rotary evaporator and diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 mL). Ethanolamine (0.30 mL, 4.54 mmol) was added drop-wise and the reaction stirred for 1.5 h. The reaction was then quenched with H<sub>2</sub>O and extracted with EtOAc (2x). The organic layers were washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The crude 1-(4-iodo-phenyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid (2-hydroxy-ethyl)-amide was

taken directly to the next reaction without further purification. LC/MS (ESI+) 332.2 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub>=2.16 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run). It was dissolved in THF (10.0 mL) and methoxycarbonylsulfamoyl triethylammonium hydroxide inner salt (0.61 g, 2.56 mmol) was added. The reaction was heated to 70°C for 2h and then cooled. The reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2x), brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (silica, EtOAc: Hexanes 3:1) to 2-[1-(4-iodo-phenyl)-cyclopropyl]-4,5-dihydro-oxazole (0.41 g, yield: 55%). LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 314.0 (M+H), t<sub>R</sub>=1.62 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.65 (d, J=8 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.32 (t, J=9.5 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, J=9.1, 9.6, 2H), 1.67 (m, 2H), 1.23 (m, 2H) ppm.

Part B. The product from Part A (75.2 mg, 0.240 mmol) and 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydro-7H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-7-one (76.8 mg, 0.247 mmol) were dissolved in DMSO (0.5 mL). Potassium carbonate (0.109 g, 0.788 mmol), copper iodide (spatula tip), and 1,10-phenanthroline (spatula tip) were added and the reaction was heated to 120°C for 12h under an environment of N<sub>2</sub>. The reaction was cooled, diluted with EtOAc, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2x), brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (silica, 100% EtOAc) afforded the title compound. LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 497.6 (M+H), t<sub>R</sub>=2.44 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run). <sup>1</sup>H NMR ((CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CO, 300 MHz) δ 7.51 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (AA'BB', J=8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.97 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 2H), 4.16 (m, 4H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.67 (t, J=9.2 Hz, 2H), 3.17 (t, J=6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.02 (m, 2H), 1.42 (m, 2H), 1.17 (m, 2H) ppm.

**Example 142**

**1-[4-[1-(4-Methoxy-phenyl)-7-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-1,4,5,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridin-6-yl]-phenyl]-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid 2-amino-ethyl ester**



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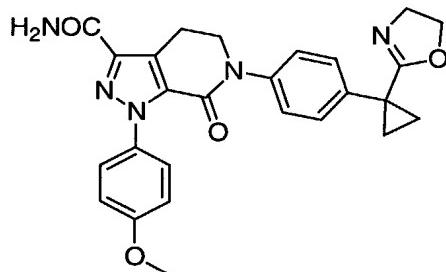
A side product resulting from a minor impurity in the starting material of Part C of Example 141 was isolated and characterized to be the title compound. LC/MS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) 515.6 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>, t<sub>R</sub>=2.22 min (10-90% CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O in a 4-min run). <sup>1</sup>H

10 NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CO, δ 7.50 (d, J=8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.38 (AA'BB', J=8.6 Hz, 4H), 7.00 (d, J=8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.20, (t, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.45 (t, 2H), 3.20 (m, 4H), 1.40 (m, 2H), 0.95 (m, 2H) ppm.

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**Example 143**

**6-[4-[1-(4,5-Dihydro-oxazol-2-yl)-cyclopropyl]-phenyl]-1-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid amide**



20 Part A. The product of Part A from Example 141 (0.10 g, 0.32 mmol) and 1-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-7-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-c]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid ethyl ester (0.10 g, 0.32 mmol) were dissolved in DMSO (1.5 mL). Potassium carbonate (1.3 g, 0.94 mmol), copper iodide (0.02 g, 0.10 mmol), and 1,10-phenanthroline (0.02 g, 0.11